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LEAGUE'S 'KHILJI TACTICS' ON ASSAM BORDER

Three-Pronged Invasion Plans Unearthed

CALL TO BENGAL GOVT. TO HONOUR PROMISE

Infiltration By Ticketless Passengers Creates Panic

SHILLONG, April 22 (A.P.I.): M. Basanta Kumar Das, Home Minister, Assam Government, in a statement here to-day said that the Bengal Government's assurances that the advance bases of the Muslim National Guards, erected on the Bengal border for an invasion of Assam would be dismantled, had not yet been carried out.

Call To Bengal Govt.

Mr. Das who returned to Shillong yesterday on the conclusion of an extensive tour of the disturbed areas in the Western districts of Assam, said he would urge the Bengal Government to expedite the dissolution of these bases and to prevent immediately infiltration from Bengal of unauthorised persons who were coming to Assam to join the Muslim League movement.

Three-Pronged Invasion

The Home Minister also referred to the so-called three-pronged invasion plan of Assam and said that some people from Bengal were daily entering Assam through Golakganj as ticketless passengers and on some days batches of 17 Muslim League National Guards were sent out to Assam, imitating the historic invasion of Bengal by Bakhtiar Muhammad Khilji during the 13th century.

KHILJI TACTICS

Mr. Das continued: "The so-called three-pronged invasion of Assam from Bengal that is being featured in some daily newspapers is described as through Mankachar, Sonhat and Sukchar. It is not as yet clear how it would take place and what would be its objective. But it appears that large meetings are being held at Badhurabad in Bengal, near Mankachar, where a few thousands of people met, but they did not actually move into Assam. On some days only batches of 17 were sent out to Assam imitating the historic invasion of Bengal by Baktiar Muhammad Khilji during the 13th century, to hoist flags on some Government buildings. But the acts of these batches were successfully handled by the authorities who made arrests, including that of Maulvi Khairat Hussain, Member of the Bengal Assembly. Sufficient precautionary measures have been adopted at Mankachar to deal with any situation that may arise.

INFILTRATION FROM BENGAL

Some people from Bengal are daily entering Assam through Golakganj as ticketless passengers and their movements are being closely watched.

Strict vigilance is also being set up at Sukchar to watch the Bengal incomers into Assam. In those areas also the Hindu population is in a state of panic, but precautionary measures Government have adopted have produced a heartening effect in the minds of the people there.

Eviction of unauthorised occupants have taken place only in the districts of Kamrup and Darrang. There is no eviction in Goalpara District.

INVASION PLAN

Mr. Das added: The avowed object of the Bengal incomers who are entering Assam as Muslim League National Guards, it is said, is to help the evictees to settle in the land from where they have been evicted. But uptil now it is only at Barpeta in the district of Kamrup that attempt was made to re-encroach on lands from where unauthorised occupiers of lands were evicted and the methods by which they wanted to enforce it led to an unfortunate incident at Mandia grazing reserve. There has as yet been no repetition of the attempt in any reserves at Kamrup and Darrang. Re-encroachments of grazing reserves will, under no circumstances, be permitted by Government.

NO ASSURANCE

"At Dhubri, some of the prominent League leaders interviewed me and, in the course of discussion that I had with them, I could gather that they would see that the League movement remained non-violent and non-communal. When I drew their attention to some unhappy features of the movement tending to give rise to apprehension of the movement ultimately becoming violent due to the over-zealous acts of their rank and file, they could not give any satisfactory explanation as to how they could check the movement drifting into an uncontrollable communal upheaval.

LEAGUERS' EVASION

I drew their attention to the joint statement issued over the signatures of Mahatma Gandhi and Mr. Jinnah and asked them whether they were going to take any steps to publicise the statement as a step necessary for the fulfilment of their objective of keeping the civil disobedience movement non-violent. But I realised that they had found some difficulty in giving me a straight reply. I even asked them to convene a meeting of the Leaguers to be addressed by me to explain the full implications of the joint statement, but it also appeared to me that they were not at all responsive to my request. The general situation that I observed in the district of Goalpara was completely under control."

King Makes Constitutional History

CAPETOWN, April 22, (Reuter): King George made constitutional history today when he presided over a meeting of the Executive Council (the Union Cabinet.)

The Governor-General, as King's representative in the Union, usually presides over these meetings.

TRANSFER POWER TO INTERIM GOVT.

India League Plea To Labour Party Conference

LONDON, April 21, (UPA): The powerful Indian League today was drafting strategy for a two-fold drive at the Labour Party Conference on May 26.

The League has decided to urge:

Firstly, fulfilment of Premier Attlee's February 20 statement regarding India; and,

Secondly, transfer of power to the present Interim Government if the Congress and Muslim League are still deadlocked at that time.

Mr. V. K. Krishna Menon, now Special Envoy to Europe of the Nehru Government is taking a prominent part in mapping the strategy for the new drive next month.

STOP PRESS

NICOSIA, (Cyprus), April 22 (APA). Jewish illegal immigrants detained at two camps here ceased their hunger strike this afternoon, an official communique stated today.

LONDON, April 22, (Reuter): Appeal by the Commissioner of Income Tax, Bengal, from the judgment of the Bengal High Court was allowed with costs by the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council today.

The question at issue was whether it was rightly decided by the High Court that the respondent company, Chowringhee Properties limited, on assessment under the Indian Income Tax Act was entitled to an allowance in respect of interest payable under certain debenture issued by it to the Allahabad Bank.

MOSCOW, (By Telephone), April 22, (UPA): The Big Four Foreign Ministers suddenly abandoned consideration of the Austrian Treaty tonight and decided to return to the "open question" of Germany tomorrow.

PALERMO, April 22, (UPA): Almost complete returns in Sicily's regional elections gave the extreme Leftists, the People's bloc of Communists, Socialists and Actionists a sweeping victory today.

WASHINGTON, April 22 (I.P.A.): After nine months' intensive research navy scientists have been not able to find a sufficiently powerful decontaminating agent to render vessels used in last July's atom bomb tests at Bikini safe from radio activity. The ships are still so radioactive that they cannot be manned or scrapped for fear that radioactive meta will find its way into other channels.

MACASSAR, April 22 (I.P.A.): The Parliament of the Puppet East Indonesian State set up by the Dutch is being convened here. Press reports indicate that celebes islanders refuse to recognise this state and are championing the incorporation of this part of Eastern Indonesia into Indonesian Republic. The National Party, the biggest in the island, declared to boycott of the Parliament and refused to send representatives. The Party's statement stated that the so-called Parliament has not been endorsed by the Indonesian Republic and that the new State has been set up in the opposition to the principles of the Republic.

SARDAR PATEL with a group of probationers at the All-India Administrative Service Training School, Delhi.

PAKISTAN IN ACTION

Dual Cabinet Set-Up For Interim Period To End Deadlock

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, April 22.

Mahatma Gandhi is expected here by the end of next week according to reports current here. With his arrival will begin the final series of talks between the Viceroy and Indian leaders. The goal of Britain's Indian policy having been defined by Premier Attlee on February 20, the main problem before the Viceroy is to determine the Indian rule which can maintain peace, order and progress in this country. To such a rule power can be transferred on or before June 1948 it is asserted here.

Lord Mountbatten's first objective appears to be to secure the co-operation to May 16th plan. That plan was evolved, it may be recalled, to give adequate security to Mussalmans without impairing the unity of India. Indications are not wanting that the Congress is not, so far willing to go beyond its Delhi resolution, while the Muslim Leaue is unwilling to reconsider its Karachi resolution, unless the Congress undertook to secure unqualified acceptance of grouping by Assam. The Congress on the other hand is no longer adverse to the partition of India "provided it were on the basis of territorial adjustments as envisaged by the Lahore Pakistan resolution", pointed reference is made to Pandit Nehru's week-end speeches in which he claimed partition of Bengal and Punjab as 'sine qua non' to partition of India and declared that if the unwilling parts could not be coerced into the Union Centre so also unwilling parts could not be coerced into Pakistan. The alternative before the Muslim League, therefore, is either to accept May 16th plan or be reconciled with what Mr. Jinnah has called Pakistan.

THE LEAGUE CIRCLES ARE NO LONGER ADVERSE TO THE PARTITION OF PUNJAB ALTHOUGH THEY ARE STILL RESISTING THE PARTITION OF BENGAL. THEY ARE ALSO MAKING COMMON CAUSE WITH INDIAN PRINCES. IT IS AGAINST THIS BACKGROUND THAT THE FINAL TALKS BETWEEN THE VICEROY AND THE CONGRESS AND LEAGUE LEADERS ARE EXPECTED TO COMMENCE NEXT WEEK.

DIARCHY

One 'via madia' as already indicated previously, is to introduce a sort of diarchy at the Centre for purely interim period under which the League will be responsible for the administration of Muslim majority provinces, and Congress for the rest of India. Matters of common interests will continue to be dealt by a Unified Cabinet. Under this scheme the power in respect of non-Muslim provinces will be transferred to the Congress wing in the Cabinet and in respect of Muslim majority provinces to League wing in Cabinet. These schemes, it will be seen, presupposes the partition of India as its corollary should have several Commisions including one to demarkate the boundaries of two Indias and another for the proposed conference to bound the assets and liabilities of the Central Government. Lastly the appeal of Gandhiji and Jinnah. The restoration of peace, it asserted, is a condition precedent not only for the transfer of power in June next year, but also for discussions now going on for implementing the quit India decision of the British Government.

Partition Is Ruinous To Country

Momins Urge Congress Executive To Rescind Communal And Anti-National Resolution

ALLAHABAD, April 22. (A.P.I.): The Working Committee of the All-India Momin Conference which met here on Sunday last concluded its sitting to-day. Mr. Abdul Qayum Ansari, Vice-President of the Conference presiding.

By one resolution the Working Committee observed that any kind of division of India or its units was ruinous to the country. The resolution of the Congress Working Committee, it added, favouring the partition of the Punjab, even though this course had been adopted as a counterblast to Pakistan, was highly retrograde step and was greatly derogatory to the position of the Congress as a national organisation.

The communal and anti-national character of the resolution had placed the Nationalist Muslims in a very difficult and awkward position. The resolution urged upon the Congress Working Committee to rescind its resolution. The Committee likewise opposed the move for partitioning of the Bengal Province.

By other resolutions the committee welcomed H.M.G.'s statement of Feb. 20, announcing the decision to transfer power to the people of India by June 1948 and the Gandhi-Jinnah peace appeal.

"Gallup Poll" On Partition Question

CALCUTTA, April 22, (A.P.I.): The results of the "Gallup poll" on the question of partition of Bengal, held by the "Amrita Bazar Patrika," show that out of 5,34,249 answers received, 98.3 per cent voted for and 0.6 per cent against partition, about 1.1 per cent of the replies were rejected owing to faulty entry.

The answers were in reply to the question "do you want a separate homeland for Bengal Hindus?"

Gunmen Pour Bullets Into Cuban Capitol

HAVANA, April 21 (UPA). Unidentified gunmen armed with submachineguns and pistols poured 300 bullets into Cuba's dol. 20,000,000 Capitol last night while the Senate was in session, touching off a bitter political battle which ended in a fist fight on the Senate floor.

Early today police were still groping blindly in their search for the men who blazed away from the tonneau of a slowly moving automobile as it passed in front of the Capitol and then raced away. Eye-witnesses said about 100 persons were in the vicinity of the building at the time of the shooting but only one was injured. The wounded man, who was not immediately identified, was taken to a private hospital.

The Senate continued in session despite the attack and engaged in a bitter debate on the responsibility for the shooting. Various Senators charged that the "gangs" of different Cabinet Ministers were to blame. Opposition Senator Jose Enrique Brigier and his pro-Administration colleague, Luis Cainas Milanes substituted fists for words after Briguer charged that President Ramon Grau San Martin was responsible for the incident. Other Senators broke up the fist fight.

157 Civilian Prisoners Taken

SAIGON, April 22. (Reuter): Viet Namese troops retreating from Hoa Binh Aon, Black River, (Tonking) took away 157 civilian prisoners, when the French captured this town last week, it was officially stated here. The prisoners' convoy included 22 men, 65 women, a large number of children and 14 babies under two years of age.

The report added that although few details were available, the prisoners were believed to be suffering from lack of clothing and milk. Their condition had been somewhat improved, however, by recent steps taken by Charles Aeshlimann, a delegate of the International Red Cross for South-east Asia.

Two hundred other civilians and some 30 French soldiers captured by Viet Minh at north Annam on December 19 were still detained, the report said.

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No Incidents In City On Tuesday

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Apart from 15 persons rounded up as bad characters, no incident was reported on Tuesday states an official 'communique' on the situation in Bombay.

BRITAIN'S MAJORITY AGAINST LABOUR GOVT.?

LONDON, April 22. (U.P.A.): The Conservative "Daily Express" said its poll of public opinion showed that 58 per cent of the people were dissatisfied with the Labour Government's conduct of affairs.

Thirty-six per cent of those polled said they were satisfied with the Government, and six per cent said they "didn't know". Forty-one per cent were dissatisfied with Clement Attlee as Prime Minister, 42 per cent were satisfied and nine per cent "didn't know".

In the last previous poll in January, 42 per cent were satisfied with the Government and 50 per cent with Attlee.

The Express said the latest poll was completed early this month before publication of the new budget.

"This poll is not confined to Daily Express readers," the paper said. "It represents the views of a scientifically organized cross section of the community of urban and rural men and women".

FRENCH POSITION IN INDO-CHINA ATTACKED

HANOI April 22 (Reuter): Viet Namese (nationalist) attacks on French positions in Indo-China on a limited scale during the night of April 20/21 were reported in a French high command communique to-day. The communique said that nationalist elements had tried to infiltrate into French positions around Hanoi and had unsuccessfully attacked the French posts at Nam Dinh and Haiphong in Tongking Province. French operations south of Hanoi in the region of Hao Binh were reported to be "progressing favourably" but no indication of their size or importance was given.

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Free India Constitution By End Of Year

PARTING WITH LEAGUE IS NOW COMPLETE

Consembly Committees Asked To Speed Up Work

NEW DELHI, April 23, (A.P.I.): The various Committees of the Constituent Assembly are working at high pressure to conform with the reported decision of the Order of Business Committee's decision today to complete the work of the Constituent Assembly by the end of this year, that is, within eight months. In this connection numerous Committees are now in session in Delhi and decisions on weighty problems have been taken.

CONSCRIPTION IN FREE INDIA

For example, there is to be conscription in the future Free India as against the Fundamental Rights Committee's report which decided against conscription the Advisory Committee on minorities has completed its labours and the report will be signed tomorrow and submitted to the President of the Constituent Assembly, Dr. Rajendra Prasad.

According to informed quarters, the authorities of the Constituent Assembly have today decided that the Assembly will split into Sections as soon as discussions on three important subjects are over, namely, Fundamental Rights, scope of the Union subjects and ratification of the negotiations with the Princes. It is recognised that breaking into Sections will mean difficulties because groups 'B' and 'C' will not be adequately represented. But the determination to break into Sections now, it is pointed out, is indicative of the Assembly's anxiety to "finish the job" at the earliest opportunity. This also means according to the same quarters, a proof of the complete acceptance of the British Government's December Six statement; such of those areas that may not be represented in the Sections will be free to keep out of the proposed Union.

PARTING WITH LEAGUE

According to a top ranking Congress leader, the decision of the Order of Business Committee today laying down the programme for the next eight months to finish drafting of the Constitution demonstrates that the parting of the ways with the Muslim League is now complete. It is pointed out in this connection that the forthcoming third preliminary session of the Constituent Assembly is important for more than one reason. Four months ago, it is stated, the Constituent Assembly met and proceeded with its task with some hesitancy and caution in the hope that parties that had kept out of it would join later. Committees were appointed but a number of seats in them were left vacant for the absentees to come in. But as this had not come about, it was decided today to get on with the job in accordance with the State Paper of May 16. Thus the "third preliminary session" will be of considerable importance.

STATES COME IN

It is reliably learnt that some twenty representatives of the Indian States will take their seats in the Constituent Assembly on April 28 or on following days. They include representatives from Baroda, Jaipur, Patiala, Jodhpur, Rewa, Cochin and Gwalior. Thus one fifth of the Indian States, in point of representation, are expected to be present at the third preliminary session of the Assembly. Elections and other details are now being worked out in many other States and it is believed several more States will participate in the Assembly before long.

According to informed quarters, Kashmir, one of the Major States, has also decided to enter the Assembly

EASTERN STATES MEMBERS TO C. A.

JAMSHEDPUR, April 22 (API.) The Conference of Rulers of the Eastern States in Chattisgarh and Orissa Agencies had decided to enter the Constituent Assembly. A press note says that accepting with slight modification the recommendations of the Special Committee presided over by the Raja of Seraikella, the Conference has took this decision. The Committee had the advice of Mr. K. C. Neogy, M.L.A. (Central) and Mr. Madhav Rao. The four elected representatives from the Orissa and Chattisgarh groups will be returned by the electoral college elected by the States Legislatures, where it exist or by popular bodies like "Prajabhas," Municipalities, Village Panchayats or Village Headman. The electoral roll will consist of members elected on the basis of population of each State at the rate of one for every 25,000 or a fraction of 25,000.

The first stage of election, namely, the publication of the list of voters of elect members to the electoral college, is expected to be ready by May 16. Thus the "third preliminary session" will be of considerable importance.

Listowel To Visit India?

LONDON Apru 21. (U.P.A.): Sources close to the Earl of Listowel, new Secretary of State for India, said today he hoped to make a trip to India during his tenure of office if circumstances permitted.

The Earl of Listowel was said to be ready to go to India at a moment's notice if the political situation there demanded his presence.

ALTERNATIVE TO PARTITION

Bengal Leaguer Suggests Joint Electorates In Independent Province

CALCUTTA, April 22. (A.P.A.): Mr. W. Zaman, a prominent Muslim League member of the Bengal Legislative Council said here today that "an independent Bengal with joint electorates is, to my opinion a solution of the present-day controversies over Pakistan and partition of Bengal."

In an exclusive interview with the Associated Press of America, Zaman added that his suggestion would satisfy the "minority, who will have a say in election of all the candidates to the Legislative bodies and will definitely also get a share in the administration which they think has along been denied to them under provincial autonomy."

Zaman has been taking a leading part in moves of the 80 "rebel" League legislators in the province who demand a reshuffling of the present Bengal ministry and recently went to Delhi to appraise the League high command of the Bengal situation.

May 16. The actual election of four members of the Constituent Assembly will take place on July 28.

A.I.R. DOCUMENTARY ON CONSEMBLY'S WORK

NEW DELHI, April 22 (A.P.I.): On April 27, from 8-30 to 9 p.m. All-India Radio, Delhi, will broadcast a radio-documentary on the work so far done in the first two sessions of the Constituent Assembly of India. The documentary will contain recorded excerpts of speeches made during some of the important debates in the Assembly including recorded extracts from Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru's speech on the Objectives Resolution.

The broadcast will be radiated on 328 6, 60 44, 41.02, 25.36, 31.30, 48.4, 41 44, 25.27 and 40 15 meters.

WEEKLY REVIEW FROM MAY 4

With effect from May 4, A. I. R. Delhi will also be broadcasting a weekly review of the proceedings of the Constituent Assembly. This item will be on the air every Sunday morning at 8-30 a.m. on 328 6, 41.15, 31.02 and 25-36 meters. Rajkumari Amrit Kaur, herself a Member of the Constituent Assembly, will inaugurate this series of weekly reviews.

NATIONALISE KEY INDUSTRIES

Dr. Ambedkar's Memorandum To Consembly

(From Our Correspondent.)

DELHI, April 22: Dr B. R. Ambedkar in a communication to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Chairman of the Constituent Assembly Advisory Committee, has urged for setting up a separate committee on economic planning forthwith. Such a committee, it is explained, could lay down economic safeguards for minorities. In a memorandum submitted to the Constituent Assembly Dr Ambedkar urges for the nationalisation of basic and key industries including agriculture.

America's Newest Atom Bomb

NEW YORK, April 22 (A.P.A.): General George C. Kenney, Commander of the Strategic Air Force Command of the United States Army said last night that a new type of atom bomb had been developed by the United States.

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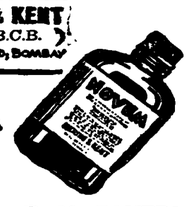

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Women's Hockey

MISS BADAL'S HAT-TRICK

Mysore Defeated In Inter-Provincial

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

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Kubes covered herself with distinction this evening in the tie between Mysore and Bombay in the ladies Inter-provincial Hockey Championship of India. She got the first three goals to register the first hat-trick in this series. The third goal was obtained as the result of a penalty bully being awarded against the visitors when F. D'Lima fouled in the circle. In the ensuing bully Bombay's centre-forward got the better of Mysore's right back and registered her third consecutive goal. Bombay's goals were divided equally between the two halves, B. James getting the fourth goal for the local side.

The most outstanding player amongst the visitors and certainly a player of considerable potentialities was their centre-forwards H. Hoffland whose ball control was very good and who, ably supported was capable of running through the entire defence of any women's side in the country today. But she received but scant support from her colleagues both in the team mate as well as in the half line. She saw very little of the ball and had to confine the dangerous raids to sporadic occasions when she was in the possession of the ball.

Another player to stand out during the evening was Bombay's deep defender P. Thomas who spoiled the few moves that came the way of Bombay's defence.

THE TEAMS:

Bombay:— M. Sullivan; P. Thomas and L. Read; G. King, L. Lynn and P. Geaner; C. D'Souza, P. Badal, M. Kubes, B. James and E. Arkile.

Mysore:— C. Lanton; F. D'Lima and D. Drake; J. Anderson, A. Piers and M. Drake; W. Hoffland, P. Clarke, H. Hoffland, K. Bower and R. Bower.

Wednesday's match at 5-30 p.m. Bombay XI v. Indian Hockey Federation XI.

Interned Afghan Princes Seek Indian Citizenship

Desire Interview With Nehru Before Disposal Of Their Case

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

JUBBULPORE, April 20.

On the eve of the transfer of power into the hands of Indians, the pitiable story of the plight of the three Afghan princes, namely, Prince Abdullah Khan, Prince Quayum Khan and Prince Hameed Khan, who have been kept in Jubbulpore for the last 12 years as State prisoners under Regulation III of 1818, has come once again to the fore.

BORN IN INDIA.

These Afghan refugees are three of the four sons of the late His Majesty Amir Mohammad Yakub Khan, King of Afghanistan, who was dethroned and exiled from Afghanistan in 1876.

The late Amir Mohammad Yakub Khan was brought to India and kept at Dehra Dun as a State prisoner under Regulation III of 1818. While in India he got four sons, namely, Prince Abdul Rehman Khan, Prince Abdullah Khan, Prince Quayum Khan and Prince Hameed Khan.

Amir Mohammad Yakub Khan died in 1923. After his death, his four sons were removed to Bareilly and kept there in the Central Jail with all their family members for over a year, and thereafter they were sent to Burma where they were kept until 1933-34.

Prince Abdul Rehman Khan was sent from Burma to Kodaikanal where he died about five years ago.

The other three princes and the members of their families were brought to Jubbulpore and since then they all are here.

They are not allowed to leave Jubbulpore without the previous permission of the Government. Each of these princess has been allotted a rent-free bungalow to reside and is given a pension of Rs. 500 per month for his and his family members' maintenance.

During the Second World War their movements were alertly watched by the police and they were asked to stay outside Jubbulpore at a safer distance from the military areas.

RELUCTANT TO GO BACK.

On April 16, these Afghan State prisoners received a communication from the Government of India through the District Magistrate, Jubbulpore. They have been asked to state whether they or their descendants are prepared to go back to Afghanistan if an assurance of immunity is arranged and secured for them from the Government of Afghanistan.

The Afghan internees in their reply to the Government have expressed their reluctance to go back to Afghanistan on the ground that being born and brought up in India they have lost all connections with Afghanistan and if they proceeded there at this stage of their life, they would not be safe there and would be looked down upon by the Afghan people as aliens and intruders in their country.

THEY WERE AWAITING CHANGE IN GOVT.

They have submitted to the Government that they have undergone all sorts of humiliations and privations in their life at the hands of the Imperial Government. They have been looking forward for an improvement in their condition and were anxiously awaiting for the change in the Government when they have been asked to express their choice.

They have further submitted that since they were born in India and spent the years of their life here, they should be granted the rights and privileges of an Indian citizen so that they may live here peacefully.

They have also appealed to the Government to withdraw restrictions on their movements and permit them to go and stay anywhere in India at their sweet will.

They have prayed to the Government to revise and increase the amount of the pension paid to them in the shape of their maintenance allowance as they find it hard to make both ends meet.

ANXIOUS TO SERVE MOTHER INDIA.

They say they have got grown up sons and since they are anxious to serve their motherland—India—they wish their sons to be provided with jobs in the military service. They also urged on the Government to set them at liberty and sanction some decent amount to them as compensation so that they may start some business in India and spend the evening of their life in peace and security.

They have requested Pundit Jawaharlal Nehru to grant them an interview and hear their grievances before passing any final orders in their case.

LEAGUERS WALK OUT OF MADRAS ASSEMBLY

Sequel To Resolution On Linguistic Division Of Province

MADRAS, April 22 (A.P.I.): Muslim League members to-day walked-out of the Madras Legislative Assembly before the House passed by an overwhelming majority the Government-sponsored resolution recommending to the Constituent Assembly the division of Madras Province into four provinces on a linguistic basis as Tamil Nad, Andhra Desa, Kerala and Karnataka.

The League members walked-out as one of them said, "To show to the world outside their resentment at the unnatural line on which the division of the country was sought by the resolution."

They also disapproved the attitude of the leader of the House in failing to include in the main resolution a provision for an "independent Moplastan" for the benefit of Malabar Muslims.

COMMUNIST VOTES FOR CONGRESS

The Communist Member, Mr. P. Venketeswaralu withdrew at the end his amendment seeking reconstitution of the Province with natural linguistic and cultural boundaries and voted for the Government resolution along with the Congress and Independent members.

Winding up the four-day debate on the linguistic resolution Dr. P. Subbaroyan, Leader of the House, said that the debate had disclosed that most of the Muslims were for dividing the Porvince linguistically although they were "shy" to express themselves frankly owing to their allegiance to "northern leadership." Their chief objection, however, was that the matter should not be referred to the Constituent Assembly.

Mr. Mohamed Ismail Saheb, Leader of the Opposion, making a statement before the "walk-out" said that the peace and prosperity of the country could be ensured only by dividing the country on a religious and cultural basis and not on linguistic lines. The explanation given by the Leader of the House and members of the Congress Party, he said, had only strengthened their conviction that Muslims' interest could be safe only in Pakistan. He added that the stand taken by the leader in not agreeing to include a separate province for the Malabar Moplahs (Muslims) was "unjust and untenable."

He then walked out of the Assembly Hall followed by his partymen.

TEXTILE POLICY

Replying to a Muslim League member, Dr. Subbaroyan stated in the Madras Legislative Assembly to-day that Government would shortly issue a statement clarifying the textile policy proposed to be followed by the present Ministry.

Mr. Devadas Gandhi, President and some members of the Standing Committee of the A.I.N.E.C. watched the proceedings of the Assembly to-day for some time from the Speaker's Gallery.

Lathi-Charge On Nepal Satyagrahis

CALCUTTA, April 22, (A.P.I.): Five volunteers of the "Nepali National Congress" offered Satyagraha at Raxaul, inside Nepal Territory, on April 20 by distributing leaflets and demanding civil liberties at a public meeting, according to a telegram received here.

The telegram adds that the Satyagrahis led a procession of 5,000 persons and in the afternoon the Nepal Government police made a lathi charge as a result of which several women and children received injuries. The Satyagrahis were, however, not arrested. Another batch will offer Satyagraha today.

2 CRORE DAMAGE IN KATHIAWAR

Hundreds Of Houses Demolished: Crops Suffer Heavily

(From Our Correspondent.)

AHMEDABAD, April 22.

Heavy rain has created havoc in Kathiawar and heart-rending reports are being received daily.

In Amreli and surrounding villages damage of lakhs of rupees is estimated. In Amreli about 400 buildings have partially fallen. Telegram lines have suffered in several places in Kathiawar.

Bhesawadi village in Gir area is washed off absolutely. All houses in Dhola, except Government building have crashed. From some villages dacoits have runaway from jail. hundreds of cattle have died.

Heavy loss is reported due to heavy wind at a speed of hundreds of miles per hour. In all damage to crop, property and casualties is believed to be about two crore of rupees.

Mahatma Observes Kasturba Day

PATNA, April 22, (U.P.I.): The monthly Kasturba Day was observed by Gandhiji this morning on the bank of the Ganges when all the chapters of the Geeta were recited by Miss Manu Gandhi. Mrs. Asha Devi Aryanayakam, Secretary of the Hindustani Talimi Sangh, met Gandhiji this morning.

Chiang's Troops Advance In Tsinan

NANKING, April 22, (Reuter): Troops of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek's Nationalist Army under the Governor of Shantung, Gen. Wang, Yao, Wu, were driving eastwards from Tsinan, the provincial capital, along the Tsinan-Tsingtao railway towards the coast, according to Chinese press despatches reaching here today.

The Government forces reached a point 26 miles east of Tsinan.

To the east, in Shensi province, it was estimated that 50,000 Communists, under Gen Liu Po Cheng, were attacking Nationalist defence lines along the Wei river.

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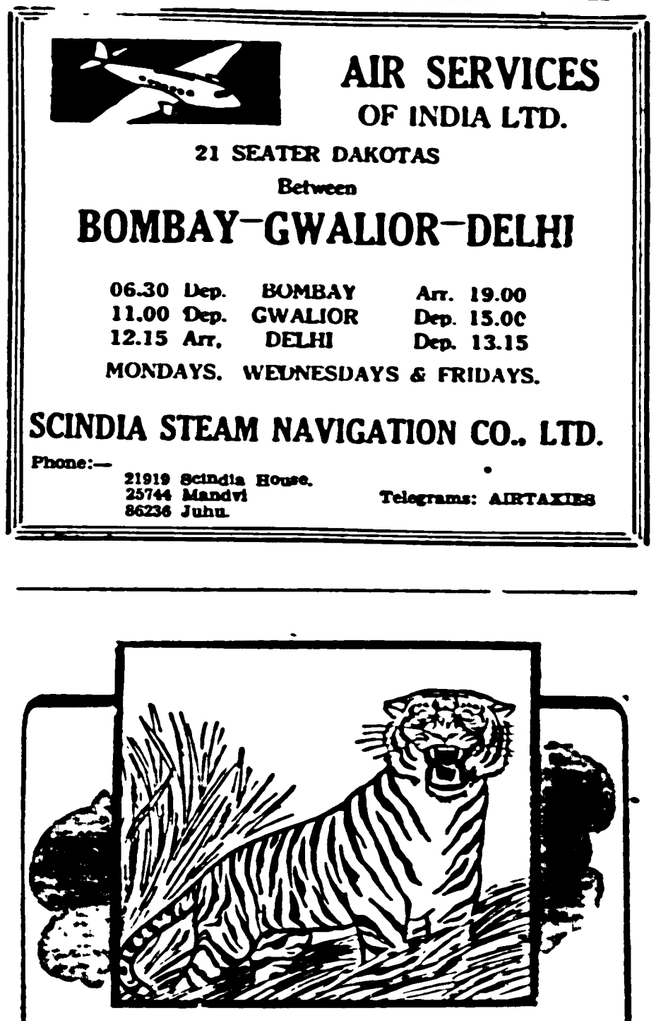

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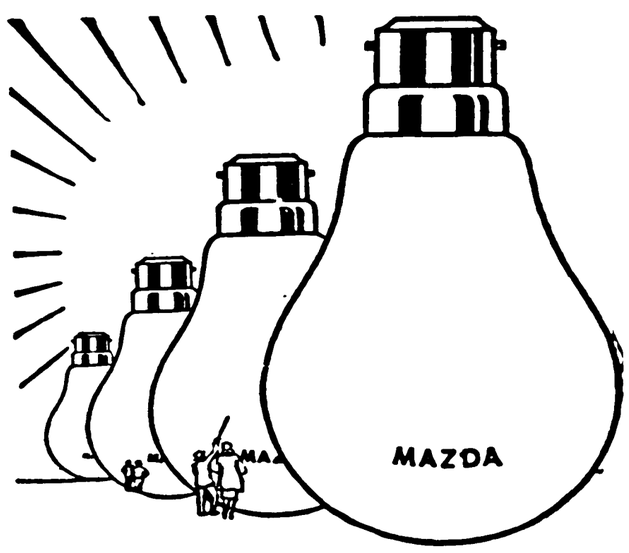

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Today's Engagements

MUNICIPAL STANDING COMMITTEE: 4-10 p.m. (S.T.).

B.E.S.T. WORKERS' UNION: Meeting of Executive Committee today (Wednesday) at 9 a.m. Mapla Building near Flora Fountain.

BOMBAY STUDENT'S CONGRESS: Study Circle today (Wednesday) at 5-30 p.m.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Talk on "Psychological Truths", followed by questions and answers today (Wednesday) at 6-15 p.m. at Jehangir Wadia Building, Opp. Flora Fountain.

NATURE CURE HOSPITAL, MALAD: With a view to spread in the knowledge of Health, Hygiene and Naturopathy among women, a meeting will be held at 4 p.m. today (Wednesday) at Nature Cure Hospital, Malad East.

THANA MAHILA PARISHAD: The fifth session of the Mahila Parishad of Thana District will be held at Bhiwandi on the 27th inst., under the presidentship of Mrs. Durgatai Joshi of Akola. Mrs. Laxmibai Karwe is the Chairman of the Reception Committee of the session.

MUSLIM DIVINE'S ARRIVAL: Maulana Abul Ula Mododi, a well-known Muslim divine, arrived in Bombay on Tuesday by the Frontier Mail and was received by a large number of friends and admirers. The Maulana is staying at the Anjuman Islam High School Hostel and will be leaving the city today (Wednesday) for Madras by the Madras Mail.

UNIVERSITY OF BOMBAY: Results of the F.Sc. (Vet.) and S.Sc. (Vet.) Examinations will be declared on Saturday (26th April) at 2 p.m.

Mr. J. B. VATCHA'S LECTURE: At Mazdaznan at 6 p.m. at Alexandra Girls' School Hall Waudby Road, on "Parsi songs—from music and literary point of view".

VARSHIK MARATHI NATYOTSAV ON A.I.R.

Today (Wednesday) a radio report on the opening day's programme of the Varshik Marathi Natyotsav will be broadcast by All-India Radio, Bombay at 8-00 p.m. on short wave only. The report will include excerpts from speeches and from the dramatic entertainment.

TODAY ON RADIO

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244 m. (1,231 kc/s)—7-30 a.m. Swar Kalika Orchestral composition by D'Amel 7-40 News (M) 7-50 News (G) 8-0 News (E) 8-15 News (H) 8-30 Hamid Husain (Hamidi) 8-45 K. T. Pandit (Bhajan) 9-0 Gururao Deshpande (Madhmad Sarang).

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WARDHA, April 22, (A.P.I.): The Executive Committee of Trustees of Kasturba Gandhi National Memorial will meet in Poona from May 7 to 10 1947.

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TATA INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

C. R. To Address Annual Convocation

The Hon'ble Mr. C. Rajagopalachari, Member for Industries and Civil Supplies in the Interim Government will deliver the seventh annual convocation address of the Tata Institute of Social Sciences on Saturday April 26, Sir Sorab Saklatvala, Chairman of the Board of Trustees will preside. The Convocation will be held at the Wilson College Hall, Chowpatty Sea Face.

J. F. BULSARA ON SUCCESS OF INTER-ASIAN CONFERENCE

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The most striking feature of the Inter-Asian Conference held recently in New Delhi, was the unprodded and independent expressions of almost all the delegates in favour of world unity and solidarity, said Dr. J. F. Bulsara addressing a meeting of the Rotary Club at the Greens Hotel this afternoon. Mr. Merwanji Patel, President presided.

Dr. Bulsara said that the conference was a unique event in the history of Asia and perhaps of the world. The 240 delegates and observers from the different countries of Asia met not in any narrow sectarian anti-Western or anti-European spirit, but to discuss scientific, educational, cultural and economic problems that were common to them. In fact, the conference acknowledged the debt that the East owed to the West in its scientific and industrial development.

He felt that the conference was a harbinger of a new outlook for the whole world and that Asia with its humanitarian outlook would become a balancing factor in international relationship.

INDIAN SCREEN STAR DEAD

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The death occurred of Mrs. Damayanti Sahani, Indian screen star, at her Juhu residence last night after a brief illness.

Tara Chawdhury's Dance Recitals

Sreemati Tara Chawdhury, well-known exponent of "Bharat-Natya" dance-art and pupil of the veteran dance-teacher Pandanallur Meenakshi Sunderam Pillai of Tanjore, will give a series of dance recitals in Bombay in the middle of next month, assisted by a group of talented South Indian musicians.

COUNTRY CRAFT CAPSIZED DURING CYCLONE

DAHANU, April 22, (A.P.I.): Four countrycrafts with a cargo of timber for Kathiawar ports are reported to have capsised during the recent cyclone that swept Bombay and the Kathiawar coast.

Bombay Students Congress

Mr. Sevanti Shah, Secretary Bombay Students Congress has issued the following:

It has been brought to our notice that some Principals of private Colleges have decided not to hold Re-examination even in the cases of those students who either met with some accident or fell sick on the last day and therefore could not appear. University practices has been introduced in favour of this decision.

The Students' Congress feels that such a decision is very unfair to the students who will be losing their one year for no fault of theirs. Besides it looks very strange that at the same time in the same city two different practices are being followed as we know it for certain that there are going to be re-exams in certain colleges.

We have appealed to the Principals to reconsider their decision. We would also like to know of the cases of all such students who could not appear in the annual exam For some genuine reasons like accident or sickness and whose cases have not been considered by the authorities, so that the students Congress may take up the matter and may represent the proper authorities.

Such students are therefore requested to give their names in the students Congress Office (42, Kennedy Bridge) between 5-30 and 6-30 p.m.

TAPASE ON "HARIJAN BILL"

Mr. G. D. Tapase, Minister for Fisheries and Backward Classes, will broadcast a talk in Marathi on the "Harijan Bill" at 6-35 p.m. in the Rural Broadcast today (Wednesday).

A Kanada translation of the Ministers talk will be broadcast today at 6-55 p.m.

PRIVATE TELEGRAMS TO LHASA SUSPENDED

Booking of all private telegrams for Lhasa suspended. Only state telegrams are accepted.

MILL WORKER ARRESTED

Sequel To Demonstration On New Kaiser-i-Hind Premises

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The Bombay City police on Monday night arrested Mandekar, a worker of the New Kaiser-i-Hind Mills, following a demonstration of some two hundred workers before the mill premises.

Police dispersed the crowd, which included 13 men who were on hunger-strike in sympathy with Mandekar who, it is reported, had been transferred from the mill headquarters to their depot at the Mooli Jetha Market. The strike of the mill workers, demanding his retransfer, continues.

The Meyer Sasoon, Century, Sri Ram, Sri Nivas, Phoenix and Jubilee mills remained closed today on account of the strike of the workers—10,000 in all—who, it is said are demanding ten days' leave reported verdict of the Millowners' Association. It is learnt that the managements have referred the matter to the Millowners' Association.

Huge Dyes Factory For Ahmedabad

(From Our Correspondent.)

AHMEDABAD, April 22.

It is authoritatively learnt that a well-known industrialist of Ahmedabad is endeavouring to start a huge dyeing and chemical factory with a capital of three to five crores. It is learnt that a well-known American colour company would provide machinery, experts and raw materials. The factory may be established near Surat, Valsad or Tithal.

It is reliably learnt that the Bombay Government would introduce total prohibition in Ahmedabad within four months. The Excise Commissioner is on a visit in this connection.

Bhopal Govt. On Interim Ministry

BHOPAL, April 22 (API.) Government of Bhopal, says:—"As is evident from certain press reports, some misunderstanding appears to have been created with regard to the announcement on the appointment of a new Interim Ministry in Bhopal with a non-official majority. The Bhopal Government notification on the subject as also the earlier notification of February clearly show that the appointment of the three non-official Ministers was not made on any communal or party basis. Messrs. Mazaffar Ali Khan, Saadullah Razmi and Bhairon Prasad were selected as representing the bulk of public opinion in the State. The party affiliations of these three non-official Ministers, which appeared within brackets after their respective names in the press message were not indicated in the Government notification."

India's Delegation To I.C.A.O. Assembly

NEW DELHI, April 22 (API.) The Government of India have decided to send a delegation to represent India at the first meeting of the Assembly of the International Civil Aviation Organisation, opening in Montreal on May 6, 1947. The delegation will be led by Mr. K. M. Raha, Director of Air Transport, Civil Aviation Directorate and will include, besides him, Mr. M. G. Pradhan, Deputy Director of Air Routes and Aerodromes, Mr. B. M. Gupta, India's representative on the Interim Council of the Provisional International Civil Aviation Organisation, Mr. M. A. Rafi, Assistant Director of Communications and Mr. P. K. Roy, Secretary, Air Transport Licensing Board. It is also proposed to include in the delegation a representative of the Indian States.

16 KILLED IN 'SUPER-FORT' CRASH

HONOLULU, April 22 (A.P.A.): Air Force Headquarters announced today that 16 officers and men were killed when a Super Fortress crashed at Kwajalein in the Marshall Islands yesterday.

SEMI-MANUFACTURED ARTICLES' PRICES GO UP

NEW DELHI, April 22: The economic Adviser's All-India index of wholesale prices of semi-manufactured articles (base: year ended August, 1939-100) worked out to 254.0 for the week ended March 29, 1947, as compared with 253.7 for the previous week.

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ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA, April 22, (A.P.I.):—The Following is the daily weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past 24 hours from April 1, 1947 and departure from normal recorded at 08-00 hours I.S.T. on 22nd April 1947.

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WEATHER SUMMARY

The following is daily weather summary for Tuesday, April 22, 1947.

Thunderstorm-rain has been widespread in Assam and local Bengal. Day temperatures were appreciably above normal over the region from the North-West Frontier Province to Orissa and Chota Nagpur.

FORECAST UNTIL THE 23RD EVENING:— Thunderstorm rain will be widespread in Assam and East Bengal and occur at a few stations in North-west Bengal and in and near Malabar.

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

For forms of Government let fools contest; that which is best administered is best.

—Pope.

The Bombay Chronicle

NEHRU'S WARNING TO PRINCES

The resolutions passed at the All-India States Peoples' Conference in Gwalior mark the triumph of statesmanship and give an index to the unequivocal will of the States people to be co-sharers of Indian freedom by throwing their full weight with the Constituent Assembly. The most controversial of the resolutions was the agreement arrived at between the Negotiating Committees of the Princes and the Constituent Assembly regarding the method of selecting States' representatives to the constitution-making body. The fifty-fifty personnel of representation stipulated in the agreement brought in a spate of criticism, and it was only Pandit Nehru's special pleading that induced the recalcitrants to accept it as an honourable compromise. This solidarity shows that the States people are one in their determination to free India, and also to usher in freedom in Indian States, whether the princes come in or stand out. The princes, who have been one of the parties to the agreement, must take note of the go-ahead policy of their people and implement it betimes by joining the forthcoming sessions of the Constituent Assembly.

There seems to be a lot of confusion in the mind of some of the Princes, presumably due to the secret propaganda of the Political Department which Pandit Nehru neatly exposed at the Conference. Some of them probably think that, when the British Paramountcy ends, they automatically become paramount. They erroneously see a historic parallel between the British quitting India and the break-up of the old Moghul Empire, and think of playing the game in "catch-as-catch-can" style, to carve out independent States. An attempt at some such strategy is evident in the bid for Berar by the Nizam and the Bhonsles, while the Maharashtra Unification Conference has claimed self-determination for the people of that province. Acrimonious controversies are certain to ensue if any of the princes think it fit to raise territorial claims of any nature when British Paramountcy will come to an end, but one sincerely hopes that the princely order will realise the grave consequences of advancing any such claims, legalistic, fancied or any other. The princes will do well to realise that serious conflicts will arise which will be not at all conducive to their own welfare unless they repose their sovereignty in the people of their states. Once the British quit India, British Indian people automatically become sovereign, as they are already enjoying democratic and responsible Government, where the will of popular representatives shapes policy. In the context of these great happenings, it is too late for the princes to raise the slogan of Louis XIV—"I am the State." There is also not wanting a humorous side to this anti-diluvian claim of the sovereignty of the princes. Some of them became subsidiary allies of the British either by suffering defeat in the open battle-field or by seeking the latter's military aid either for aggression against some neighbouring prince or for protection against some invader. Having been responsible for the loss of India's freedom as well as their own, they have no valid claim now to arrogate to themselves sovereign rights. There is equally a comic element in the claim of some States to become "kingdoms" as soon as the British quit, because they have not been technically conquered by the British. One would like to ask these champions as to their contribution to bring about the "quit-India" decision of the British. The country has not gone through the fiery ordeal of "toil, blood, sweat and tears" to prop up these "pinchbeck Napoleans" in the saddle. Moreover, the fifty-fifty basis of representation for the States and States people in the Constituent Assembly is an open acknowledgment of the fact that the rulers have agreed to share the sovereignty with the States people as a very step towards the goal of complete Responsible Government in all States.

In moving the 'objectives' resolution in the Constituent Assembly, Pt. Nehru has given an open assurance to the princes that monarchy will not be abolished in the States. He offered them more than a fair deal when he negotiated the method of representation of the states people in the Constituent Assembly. The response of a section of the states' rulers to his noble gesture is not worthy of them. No wonder then that he warned them at Gwalior that any Indian State that did not join the Constituent Assembly immediately would be treated as a hostile state by the country, and that it would have to bear the consequence of being so treated. This is a blunt talk to the princes that India will not brook obstruction in her march to freedom. This is necessary because we have already the sad spectacle of many who sat on the fence when the freedom fight was on, now turning up as priority claimants to share power. Curiously enough, when the princes themselves are pondering over Pt. Nehru's candid advice, Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan has rushed to the rescue of the recalcitrant princely order. He has officiously declared that the views of Pt. Nehru are not those of the Government of India and he promises protection to the neutrality of the princes. This is not surprising because he sees in them potential allies to the League game for sabotaging the Constituent Assembly. But the princes will not feel happy over the championship of Mr. Liaquat Ali, in view of the antecedents of the League which is out to upset even popular governments in Assam and the Frontier Province by questionable methods. The latest decision of the Eastern States to join the Constituent Assembly and that of Gwalior to allot more seats to the states people than the agreed quota are welcome signs of the times. Mr. Liaquat Ali's slogan that the Constituent Assembly is dead beyond resurrection has been too much played up and hence played out.

Frankly Speaking

Truman Explains

At an Associated Press of America luncheon in New York President Truman again explained U. S. foreign policy, which, he said, was "to aid the free peoples of the world in their efforts to maintain freedom." "Many of these people", he pleaded, "are confronted with the choice between totalitarianism and democracy. This decision had been forced upon them by the devastation of war, which has so impoverished them that they are easy targets for external pressures and alien ideologies." The President was, it is evident, mainly thinking of Greece, U. S. aid to which has now been approved by Congress. But even apart from the question of how far the Soviet Union is a danger to Greece, there are fundamental and serious weaknesses in the method and procedure of President Truman's rescue efforts. If it was in the name of democracy that he rushed to the rescue of Greece, he should have at least made sure that the regime which he sought to bolster was democratic and enjoyed the free consent of the people. Actually the Greek royalist regime is undemocratic and reactionary and functions through the force of suppression of the mass of the people. This is a well-known fact. The least that the President and America should have done was to make democratisation of the regime a condition precedent to any aid. Then he rushed to the rescue of Greece without waiting for the report of the United Nations Commission of Inquiry. Finally, the whole procedure of implementing policy "to aid the free peoples of the world in their efforts to maintain their freedom" ignores the United Nations. It is no wonder that critics fear that the present American foreign policy is more likely to endanger peace than ensure it.

Sardar's Call

It cannot, of course, be said that the historic appeal by Mahatma Gandhi and Mr. M. A. Jinnah has had any spectacular success yet. They denounced violence "for all time" and they pleaded that nothing should be said or written that was provocative or might act as incitement to violence. Violence is still there, so is verbal provocation. This is, partly at least, because the appeal has yet to be endorsed publicly by all those responsible men and organisations to whom their followers look for guidance. The message of the two leaders has to be taken to the masses. As Sardar Vallabhbhai says, "the appeal should not be allowed to remain a mere pious expression of hope and sentiment and it is incumbent on all of us, in our respective spheres of duty and service to folllow it up by instant and effective action." Every one has to constitute himself a missionary of peace and a messenger of the historic appeal, but more so the provincial, district and town organisations and leaders and workers. They can achieve a lot.

Duty Of The Press

But even a more vital responsibility rests on the Indian Press which speaks to the mass of the people every day. And we wholeheartedly endorse the appeals of Mahatma Gandhi and Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel to the Indian Press to play its great part in the crusade for peace and sanity. The All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference has responded to these appeals with an assurance of unreserved co-operation and has called upon all newspapers to make that co-operation a fact. We hope this assurance by the All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference will be honoured in the completest measure by all newspapers in India, English and Vernacular. There are political differences in the country, serious differences. But they can be canvassed adequately without resorting to words and sentiments that may provoke passions or incite people to violence. The Press owes a great duty to the strife-ridden people of India. It must rise to the full height of that duty.

Terrorising U.N.O.

Says a Jerusalem report: "Five British Army camps were reported to nave been bombed and electric power was cut off at eight points along Palestine's 300-mie coastal belt in what was believed to be the Jewish Underground's all-out campaign of violence designed to influence the United Nations' consideration of the Holy Land issue. The outburst of violence, that is to say the terrorist "war" on the Palestine authorities, was a certainty after the execution of Dov Gruner and three other Irgun terrorists. Nor need the fact come as any surprise that the "war" is designed to influence the United Nations' decision. This part of the Zionist technique has also been long known. It now remains to be seen whether the United Nations' Assembly will allow itself to be terrorised by the Zionists who will doubtless be supported by some powerful influences.

OUR READERS' VIEWS

Export Control

Sir,—Referring to the advertisement inviting applications for export of certain commodities outside India by the Chief Controller of Export No. M 561—E 11/47, appearing in your issues of 16th, 17th and 18th instant, it is stated in N. B. 2 that an application must accompany a Government Treasury Receipt for Rs. 50 which will not be refunded. Again in N.B. 3 it is clearly stated that in view of limited quantities available for distribution, it may not be possible to grant licences to all applicants.

Had it been stated somewhere that the fee of Rs. 50 will be refunded to unsuccessful applicants, the misunderstanding in the minds of the public would not have been created. I hope this is a mistake by oversight and the department concerned does not want to penalise the unsuccessful applicants.

Anyway, will the Department concerned remove this ambiguity at once in view of the short time?—Yours, etc.,

P. MEHTA.

Commutation Of Pensions

Sir,—Pensioners are grateful to you for your permitting them to ventilate their grievances through the columns of your esteemed paper. I am a Madras Pensioner residing in Bombay. Particularly pensioners drawing Rs. 100/- or less who have commuted a portion of their meagre monthly pension are in a very sad plight in these abnormally hard times. Their contract with the then Government was, no doubt, a life contract agreeing to subject their monthly pensions to monthly deductions of the commuted portion (in my case Rs. 25/-) from their original pension (in my case Rs. 75/-). The balance left (in my case Rs. 50/-) even with the small temporary increase of Rs. 6/- or 9/- is found very insufficient to cover even half the cost of living of these pensioners and their dependants. They are thus on the very verge of a financial collapse. In the case of such of these pensioners as have lived long for over eleven years after commutation, the lump value of the commuted amount received by them from the then Government has been more than reimbursed in my case long ago. In such cases it will be equity if the present popular Government kindly reviews this whole question of commutation and treats the commuted lump amount as loan and stops further deductions from their monthly pensions, taking a lenient view of the contract entered into by these faithful loyal pensioners with the then Government, under varied unavoidable circumstances of theirs.

It need hardly be added here that in many instances, rules and laws framed under the then Government had to be revised and altered by the present popular Government in favour of the public. It is, therefore, pensioners earnest prayer that some public spirited and sympathetic member of the Government takes abiding interest in this matter and moves the Government to redress the grievance and earn the gratitude of this class of suffering Pensioners.

A SUFFERING PENSIONER.

Disposal Of India's War Surpluses

Govt. Accept Recommendations Of Gwyer Committee

NEW DELHI, April 22. (A.P.I.): Speed in the declaration and disposal of India's war surpluses, adoption of methods which will ensure equal opportunity for all who desire to purchase them such as sale by public auction or by tender on the basis of reserve prices, limitation of sale by negotiation to special cases, fullest publicity both before and after sales and decentralisation of the disposals organisation, are recommended by the Disposals Enquiry Committee in their report.

The Committee was appointed by the Government of India in October, 1946, with Sir Maurice Gwyer (Chairman), Sir T. Vijayaraghavachariar and Mr. S. Boothalingam (Secretary), to review and advise on problems and methods of disposals.

Recommendations Accepted

The Government of India have accepted in principle the basic recommendations of the Disposals Enquiry Committee in regard to the objectives and methods of Disposal. A Resolution announcing this has been published for general information in the "Gazette of India Extraordinary" dated April 23, 1947.

Agreeing that the greatest possible accuracy in declaration is essential to the satisfactory carrying out of the subsequent stages of Disposal and to establishing public confidence therein, Government have issued instructions emphasising the personal responsibility of officers in charge of depots. As regards the Committee's inference that a check of only one per cent had been carried out in regard to American surpluses, the resolution explains that it is a recognised method of sampling and that wider checks are made when necessary. However, arrangements have now been made for all essential information regarding stocks to be made available to the Director General, Disposals.

Government have recognised that facilities at depots to potential purchasers should be improved. This will be arranged within the limitations of security requirements. They, however, feel that segregation of surplus stores in depots may not be fully practicable.

BASIC PRINCIPLE.

The resolution clarifies that the inevitable uncertainty which must attach to information about surpluses has its effect on Disposal itself and on the market available to the Disposals Organisation. The Committee have recognised that the basic principle of disposing of surplus goods "as is, where is" leaving it to the purchaser to find and serve the ultimate consumer, is the only practical course to take. The location of stores (which has been determined by purely military considerations) and their usually 'special' nature, which makes them rarely suited in their existing form for civil use, give the problem of Disposals its special character.

INTERESTS OF CONSUMER.

The Director General of Disposals, the resolution makes it clear, is not in a position to guarantee quality or even quantity or render services such as delivery at a required place, which are usual in commercial practice. The Committee have agreed that this circumstance cannot be changed, as elaborate preparation of surplus stores for sale by re-conditioning or conversion would be a task which a Government department is unfitted to undertake; and it would certainly not be worthwhile setting up a colossal undertaking merely for the very temporary purpose of disposing of surplus goods. Disposals business, therefore, tends to flow into the hands of those who are prepared to bear inconvenience and risks; and, whatever method of Disposal is adopted, the principal purchaser will always be the middleman, leaving the Disposals agency with no direct means of protecting the interest of the consumer.

This makes it all the more important that the consumer should not be deprived of the only indirect protection left to him, namely, wide competition among those who buy surplus goods.

The Committee have recommended that the basic method of Disposal should be by public offer at a reserve price with unqualified commitment to sell at or above the reserve.

The Government of India have accepted this recommendation in principle but point out that it should not be applied so rigidly and mechanically as to leave no discretion at all to the Director General in dealing with particular problems. For, otherwise there would be a danger of too easily losing what could be secured for the Treasury. The Director General will, therefore, be at liberty, in dealing with particular problems, to resort to negotiations when the circumstances appear to him to justify the course on obtaining the orders of Government.

RESERVE PRICE.

Government feel that the reserve price should be fixed at a level which is 'moderate' in the light of past experience rather than attractively' low as suggested by the Committee

They also consider that it would be unwise to resort to re-advertisement with a lower reserve price, but think that the first call must be final.

If this method fails, they consider that the Director General must be left to decide in the light of the consideration of speed and general public interest whether to resort immediately to auction or to proceed by negotiation with as wide a circle of local buyers as possible. The power to negotiate will, however, be confined to the Director General, Deputy Directors General and the Regional Commissioners in consultation with their Financial Advisers.

Government accept the view that negotiation should be subject to periodical scrutiny by an independent authority. All transactions concluded by negotiations will be circulated to the Standing Committee of the Legislature.

RESORT TO AUCTION.

Government concur with the Committee that there should be a much wider resort to auction. They also feel that disposals should be by outright sale and that the use of agencies should be avoided. They, however, differ from the Committee's view that the standard terms of Disposal should include guarantee of quantity. They think that in the peculiar circumstances, which often involve some degree of unreliability in declaration, it would be unsafe to go further by way of contractual commitments to specific performance. In their opinion, the more important consideration, and the greater risk from the purchaser's point of view, is quality and condition.

TRADE CHANNELS.

Government accept that trade channels should continue to be used where possible, although they feel that the scope of development of this might prove to be restricted, as the Committee have pointed out. They also agree that controlled commodities must be disposed of within the provision of the control orders in force.

At the same time they take note that there are likely to be particular categories to which, owing to considerations of deterioration, comparative usefulness or excessive quantity, detailed control of disposals may be unnecessary, while speedy disposal may be to the advantage of the general economic situation.

FORTNIGHTLY BULLETIN.

Government are in agreement with the views of the Committee on publicity for Disposal and propose to introduce a Fortnightly Bulletin, in addition to special Press advertisements on the present lines, which will contain essential particulars of stores and the reserve price fixed, and include information about cases open to negotiation. They agree that the results of all sales by negotiation and all important sales otherwise should be published in the Bulletin.

The Government of India note and endorse the Committee's appreciation of the success of the Director General's efforts in bringing the organisation to a point wherewith only comparatively minor adjustments to conform to changes of methods now recommended, it should be able to deal satisfactorily with any future situation which it is reasonable to anticipate. The Government of India accept generally the recommendations regarding the organisation and will pursue the question of changes and improvements on the lines suggested.

Coal Stowing Cess Enhanced

NEW DELHI, April 22. (A.P.I.): In pursuance of the Coalfields Committee's recommendation to assist stowing with a view to conserving coal, the Central Government propose to increase the stowing cess from 2 as. to 4 as. per ton, the maximum leviable under the act at present.

A Committee composed of representatives of the Industries and Supplies, Work, Mines and Power and Transport Departments is to be set up shortly to draw up a programme for sand-stowing in the next ten years.

COURT CAUSERIE

(By "NESTOR")

Coltman Retires

The retirement of senior counsel is an extremely rare phenomenon. But it does happen sometimes. Mr. P. J. Coltman, one of the giants of the Bombay Bar, retired from practice on 31st March this year. Born in 1875, he was educated privately because he was considered to be a delicate child. Called to the Bar in 1896, for thirteen years he practised in London. In 1910 he went to Burma and practised in the Rangoon High Court for three years. Disappointed with the conditions in Rangoon, he returned home and started practising in the Privy Council Raikes, one time Acting Advocate-General of Bombay, induced him to come down to Bombay and in January 1918 he started practising in this city where he joined the chambers of the famous Inverarity. He soon established a roaring practice and has for many years been one of the "top-knotchers" of the Bombay Bar. Possessing legal talents which were outstanding, he was very systematic and thorough in his work. Forceful and tenacious as an advocate, he would drive his point home in trenchant phrases. He was one of the very few senior counsel who could be bold and even defiant to the judge when the occasion demanded it. He had, however, a very keen sense of humour. Among some of the famous cases in which he appeared in recent years may be mentioned, the prosecution of Pir Pagaro, the Prohibition Case, the Telephone Co. Case, the Thousand Rupee Note Case, and the Indus Commission in which he appeared for the Government of Sind. Though the commercial community of Bombay felt that the fees he demanded were rather too stiff, they knew that he would do complete justice to their case and he was much sought after. Still in the pink of health, we do not know whether it was the Central Budget or the kill-joy policy of the Bombay Government which prompted his sudden decision to retire, but in him the litigating public of Bombay loses a great lawyer—perhaps the last of a series of brilliant English barristers to dominate at the Bombay Bar. He proposes to leave shortly for England and to spend the winter in South Africa, but has not decided where he is going to settle down to enjoy his well-earned retirement.

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Recognized Agents

A person can act as the agent of another in any legal proceedings if he holds a special power of attorney for that purpose from that other. That is the law laid down in the Rules and High Court has, however, promulgated Orders in the First Schedule to our Civil Procedure Code. The Bombay a different Rule. It has laid down that unless a "general" power of attorney is conferred on another he cannot act as your agent in legal proceedings. This Rule has proved very inconvenient to the public. A landowner who has lands in one place but lives in another, and employs a petty rent-collector at the former place is obliged to confer a general power of attorney on the rent-collector in order to enable him to file from time to time trifling suits for the recovery of arrears of rent. The Bombay Rule, therefore, exposes such people to the unnecessary risk of having to confer a general power of attorney which may be easily abused. Neither the Calcutta nor the Madras High Court has framed such a Rule and it is to be hoped that our High Court will fall in line with them and will rid itself of what must be regarded as a purposeless innovation.

AUSTRALIAN WOOL FOR JAPAN

SYDNEY, April 22, (Reuter): The Canberra correspondent of "Sydney Sun" says that it was revealed today that the Commonwealth's decision to release 7,300 bales of wool for shipment to Japan is experimental and may be followed by larger shipments.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

NEW DELHI, April 21: Mr. Abdur Rab Nishtar had a long discussion to-day with the Viceroy, and, it is believed that among other matters, the Frontier situation was discussed. Subsequently, he had a long interview with Mr. Jinnah.

Mr. Nishtar is leaving for the Hazara District on the morning of April 23 and will proceed to Peshawar on April 25.

—A.P.I.

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Exploding surprise at Jawaharlal's speech at the States' Peoples Conference. Mr Liaquat Ali has called upon the States—eh? the States' people? Certainly not, what nonsense—not to submit to his "threat"

Their Highnesses "the States" must feel profoundly reassured. The generous protection offered by Mr Liaquat Ali to them against Congress aggression is more real and more effective than the guarantee given by President Truman to Greece and Turkey against Soviet expansion.

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Moreover, there ain't no Constituent Assembly. "Pandit Nehru", ordains Mr. Liaquat Ali, "knows perfectly well that the Constituent Assembly is dead beyond resurrection although the Congress may pretend to ignore it."

How sad, how deplorably unfortunate for all concerned that these dictates of Mr. Liaquat Ali should be ignored—as only by Pandit Nehru and Congress but also by the British Government and even by those States, who haven't yet submitted to Congress coercion.

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Among the resolutions passed by the States' People's Conference one, we notice, contains instructions to the Praja Mandals in the Indian States directing them and like organisations to take steps to implement the various demands made by the conference from time to time.

Mr. Liaquat Ali should now issue a more severe statement against Nehru and the Congress. And make his offer of "protection" more clear and insistent.

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Mr. S. V. Gokhale, the C. P. and Berar Education Minister, says that Sir Mirza Ismail's claim that Berar is an integral part of the Nizam's Government would have been appropriate in the 13th Century

No, no. It is almost as modern as the seventeenth century itself—cf., for instance, Sir C. P. Ramaswamy Aiyar.

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The Moscow "New Times" is reported to have charged that British and Indian reactionaries are seeking to prevent a closer Russian-Indian understanding.

Who are the Indian reactionaries?

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Defending his policy of aid to "free peoples of the world in their efforts to maintain their freedom", President Truman argues that the devastation of war has so impoverished them that "they are easy targets for external pressure and alien ideologies."

This is what the Russians also say

By the way, the free peoples of the world who are to be aided in their effort to maintain their freedom, include the Jews of the world who are to maintain their freedom to own Arab Palestine?

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The Jewish underground is reported by the United Press of America to have launched an all-out campaign of violence "designed to influence the United Nations' consideration of the Holy Land issue."

We are sure the American representative will thus find his hands further strengthened to influence the United Nations to help establish and maintain the freedom of Jews.

Jam Saheb Buys Grantham Production Ltd.

Will Provide World With 'People's Car'

LONDON, April 22 (Reuter): The Maharaja of Nawanagar, who is at present in Britain, has decided to provide capital for a new company to operate the "people's car" factory at Grantham and will return to India by air next Monday, according to a report in to-day's "Daily Mail."

The "Mail" reporter writes: "The Maharaja of Nawanagar, a multi-millionaire Indian Prince, is to take over the "people's car" factory at Grantham, Lincolnshire.

"He decided to buy out the original company, Grantham Production Limited, after talks yesterday with Sir Stafford Cripps and officials of the Board of Trade.

Mr. W. D. Kendall, Independent Member of Parliament for Grantham, will be in charge of production at the factory.

The Jam Saheb will be flying back to India next Monday.

The report adds: "The chief formalities will be two cheques from the wealthy Maharaja, one buying out the original company now in voluntary liquidation, and the other to provide capital for the new company.

"It is understood that the agreed sum for the stock and assets of the original company is in the region of £150,000 and that the backing for the new company will be about £500,000.

"The Maharaja was a partner in the original company in which he invested £280,000".

Maharaja's Denial

LONDON, April 22. (Reuter): A report in to-day's London "Daily Mail" that the Maharaja of Nawanagar has decided to buy out Grantham Production Limited, manufacturers of "Peoples Car", was denied to-night.

A statement issued on behalf of the Maharaja, who is at present in Britain, said that he "has not yet reached any decision regarding the affair of Grantham Productions (in liquidation). Any statements suggesting the contrary have no foundation."

The statement added that the Maharaja will call a press conference when he has reached a decision on the matter.

Demonstration To The World

MANCHESTER, April 22, (Reuter): Many nations will follow with the closest interest the United States bid to make Hawaii with its mixed population of Portugese, Japanese, Chinese, Filipinos and others a self-governing state inside the United States Union, declares today's influential "Manchester Guardian".

"It will be a striking instance of the powers of American education and political organisation if a community with so many different elements in it can settle down happily to self-government on a democratic basis," the "Manchester Guardian" editorial says: "Mr. Julius Krug (United States Secretary of the Interior) is not dismayed by the prospect. He would make Hawaii a state as a demonstration to the world 'that we have faith in our ideals of the democratic form of Government'. It is a demonstration which many other nations would follow with the closest interest".

Greatest Guided Missile Will Strengthen Naval Arm

Three-Ton Flying Bomb Known As "The Loon" Has 150 Miles Bombardment Range

POINT MUGU, (California), April 21, (U.P.A.): Seventy-five correspondents, photographers and newsreel cameramen who watched spellbound last week when the greatest guided missile in the history of warfare was fired westward over the Pacific today were permitted by the United States Navy to describe what they had seen.

It was a three-ton flying bomb, officially called KUW-1 but better known to 700 Naval and civilian scientists and the personnel of this heavily guarded air missile test center as "The Loon". Here are some of the things it will do:

It increases the Navy's effective heavy bombardment range from 25 miles—the extreme figure achieved against Japan—to 150 miles.

Radio controlled, it can change its course in flight to seek out its target with deadly accuracy.

Its speed is in excess of 425 miles per hour, its weight is 6,000 pounds and its cost dol. 15,000.

The Germans invited the bomb and coupled it with a pulse jet engine, an invention stolen from the United States. The result was the V-1 buzzbomb, 8500 of which were fired across the English Channel. Now the U.S. Navy has taken the German composite and made it many times more effective by equipping it for remote control by radio. The Loon is subsonic, as was the V-1—its speed is less than that of sound. Whether or not the Navy wanted to parallel the German V-2, which was supersonic is a matter captain S. B. Scales, director of the tests, refused to discuss.

Also on the no comment list was a question on whether or not the original inventors of V-1 and V-2 were helping to build and test The Loon here. Not so secret was the wide supply of captured German rocket equipment in a Quonset hut on this isolated sandspit between Santa Barbara and Los Angeles.

For hours before The Loon was fired last Friday from Point Mugu patrol planes scoured the Pacific to and beyond the Santa Barbara Channel Islands warning shipping away from the path of the flying bomb. The islands, themselves about 50 miles off shore were the reason for the establishment of the naval air missile test center here since they permit the Navy to set up radar station on the San Nicolas, Anacapa, Santa Cruz and Santa Rus Islands to observe and record the course of the flying missiles fired overhead from the mainland.

With the seaway at last clear of shipping and fishing craft, Marine guards headed the observers behind sand bunkers 1,000 feet to the windward. The long yellow Loon was on the rocket launcher. The beach was silent except for the cry of seabirds and the waves' lap. A siren sounded 30 seconds warning and a voice on the loudspeaker ticked off the remaining seconds—"five, four, three two, fire". Four booster rockets behind The Loon went off in roaring unison, driving clouds of sand into the air. The roar reached a whooshing crescendo and the great bomb rose gracefully into the air. The booster rockets and their sled fell away to the beach. The Loon, supplied with sufficient momentum, levelled off.

In Friday's test her pulse jet engine was not started. Because of the hour it was desired to drop the bomb into the sea short of the horizon.

INDIAN TRADE MISSION BUSY IN TURKEY

ISTANBUL, April 2 (Reuter): The Indian Trade Delegation headed by Mirza Hassan Isfahani has arrived at Istanbul after visits to Izmir and Smyrna and has opened trade talks with the Chamber of Commerce and Turkish merchants.

PROVISIONAL GOVT. FOR KOREA

Soviet Agrees To American Proposal

MOSCOW, April 22. (Reuter): M. Vyacheslav Molotov, the Soviet Foreign Minister, agreed in a letter to Mr. George Marshall, the United States Secretary of State, to the Soviet-United States Commission in Korea resuming the efforts to form a Provisional Democratic Government there with July-August as the deadline for recommendations to the Governments of Russia and the United States.

M. Molotov suggested that the Commission should meet on May 20 at Seoul, Southern Korea (American zone).

The Correspondence published here to-day disclosed that M. Molotov countered Mr. Marshall's criticisms of Soviet attitude by charging the United States Delegation in Korea with obstruction and with including among the organisations consulted on the formation of a Provisional Government 17 parties and groups who opposed the Moscow Agreement on Korea.

Suggestion for a time limit came from Mr. Marshall last week after the breakdown of the Korea Commission through inability to define the word "democratic".

M. Molotov's reply put forward a three-point programme, which he said his Government regarded as "primary", calling for speeding up of amalgamation of the two zones of Korea into a self-governing independent State, establishment of a democratic Government by free elections and "aid to the Korean nation in restoring Korea as an independent State and developing her National economy and culture."

Copies of the correspondence have been sent to Mr. Ernest Bevin and the Chinese Ambassador in Moscow.

Scindias On The Scene

COLOMBO, April 22 (API): Following the negotiations started by Sir Fazal Rahimtoola and other well-known Bombay financiers for floating a Ceylonese shipping line, it is learned, that the Scindia Steam Navigation Company are also now negotiating with the Ceylon Government for a shipping line with predominantly Ceylonese capital and directorate.

Mr. G. L. Mehta, Director of the Scindias, who has arrived here from Bombay, had preliminary discussions today with the Minister for Labour, Commerce and Industry, Rajah Hewavitarne. It is learned he urged Scindias' prior claim on the Government's consideration, in view of the experience the company had gained in running a service between India and Ceylon.

A conference of all interested parties will be held on April 24.

It is understood that Ceylon Government will consider both proposals before coming to any final decision in the matter

INDIAN SCHOLARSHIPS FOR INDONESIANS

NEW DELHI, April 22, (A. P. I.): The Education Department have decided to give seven scholarships to Indonesian students and five to East African. As the scheme develops, students of other countries will be given scholarships.

Salazar Makes It Easy For Franco

LISBON, April 22. (A.P.A.): G. Robles, political adviser to Don Juan, claimant to the Spanish throne, has been ordered to leave his residence at nearby Estoril and "stay away from Lisbon and political activity or he will be ordered out of Portugal altogether."

It is believed that Don Juan and his family will be allowed to stay at Estoril "and given another chance not to abuse Portugal's hospitality by taking political action and attitudes against a neighbouring government."

Chiang Kai-Shek May Visit America

NANKING, April 22. (U.P.A.): Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek may visit the United States shortly, according to Secretary-General Wu Ting-chang.

Wu said the date has not been fixed but it could be assumed that Chiang's departure would be delayed until such time as the reorganization of the Executive Yuan was completed. He could not say whether Chiang would also visit England.

Wu said that China was hopeful that the dol. 500,000,000 loan from the United States would materialize in June, adding that Chiang's trip was not linked with this loan.

Judgment Reserved In S. I. Filmstar's Appeal

MADRAS, April 22. (A.P.I.): At the Madras High Court arguments were concluded to-day in the criminal appeal preferred by M. K. Tyagaraja Bhagavathar and N. S. Krishnan, well-known South Indian cinema stars, against their conviction and sentence for transportation for life in the "Lakshmikantham Murder Case".

The case was remitted by the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council to the High Court for re-hearing on the merits of the case, without being merely influenced by the fact that the verdict of the jury was not perverse or unreasonable.

Judgment was reserved.

AHMEDABAD, April 22 (API.) The Ahmedabad Municipality decided today to prepare a scheme for free and compulsory elementary education. The Municipality had prepared one scheme in 1925 and submitted it to Government for sanction but Government sanction was not only not obtained but Government education grant to the Municipality was cut from 50 to 25 per cent. The Municipality has now been pressing Government to restore this cut if it wants the scheme of compulsory elementary education to be pushed through speedily in Ahmedabad.

Serious Deadlock In Atomic Negotiations

LAKE, SUCCESS, April 22, (UPA): The United Nations Atomic Energy Commission today postponed indefinitely a major part of its negotiations when Russia and the Western Powers fell into a serious deadlock.

The Commission's working committee decided to call a breathing spell in an unsuccessful attempt to reconcile Russia's objections to the American atomic energy control plans. It postponed for nine days and perhaps longer private discussions of the dozen changes which the Soviets want in the plan— changes which are opposed by all Commission members except Russia and Poland.

The second part of the Atomic Commission's negotiations will be resumed on Thursday when the Political Committee meets once more. This group, however, is working on a different problem — that of outlining the specific functions of the proposed World atomic control authority. United Nations officials feared, however, that the deadlock might extend to the Political Committee and thus bring all atomic negotiations to a standstill.

The Working Committee gave up temporarily when at the fourth consecutive meeting Soviet delegate Andrei Gromyko again refused to define the Soviet conception of international control and inspection of atomic activities.

General R.L.G. McNaughton of Canada in a written question submitted last week asked Gromyko to clarify the Soviet view, but Gromyko, who had been expected to reply in writing, merely said orally that the Soviets did not believe in international control which meant that the United Nations agency would license and manage the world's atomic activities.

Gromyko did not touch on another basic point, such as whether international inspection should be carried out by the citizens of various countries or only by citizens of the country being inspected.

Britain and the United States insisted that all countries signing the atomic control treaty should have the right to send citizens into the territory of every other country signing the treaty. Gromyko for many weeks declined to say yes or no to the Anglo-American proposal.

NEW BIHAR SCHEME FOR REFUGEES

Twenty Seven Camps To Be Set Up Initially

PATNA, April 22 (API.) The Bihar Government is to embark of a new Rehabilitation Scheme for the repatriation of Muslim refugees from towns to their village homes it is learnt. The Scheme, in the first instance, will be for three months.

Under the Scheme, it is proposed to set up initially 15 camps in the rural areas of Patna, eight in the district of Monghyr and four in Gaya each with a capacity to accommodate five hundred people. Refugees in Government relief camps in town whose present strength is about 22,000 will be transferred to rural camps nearest to their villages pending their final resettlement in their own homes. There is also a proposal to allow them to have their own choice in the matter of selecting the camp.

'PAKISTAN' MOVE IN S. W. BURMA

Buthidaung And Maungdaw Muslims Demand Separate State

RANGOON, April 22, (Reuter): Fifty thousand Muslims of Buthidaung and Maungdaw areas of Arakan division of Burma are campaigning for a separate State. It was authoritatively learned today. The details of this "Pakistan" movement in South-West Burma are still awaited here.

Muslims make up 90 per cent of the population in this area which demands separation from Burma.

It is recalled that the Chittagong Muslim Chamber recently urged the Bengal Government to annex these areas to India's "Eastern Pakistan."

INDIAN GODDESS IN BR. MUSEUM

LONDON, April 22, (Reuter): Close secrecy is being maintained at the British Museum concerning the statue of a mysterious Indian goddess discovered recently lying neglected in a shed at the Surrey Commercial docks.

"No statement can be made regarding its future until the Museum's Board of Trustees has discussed the matter at its meeting on May 10," Mr. F. C. Francis, Secretary of the British Museum, told 'Reuter' today. He added that if its owner could not be found the Museum might decide to keep the statue.

Though museum officials have strict instructions not to say how much the statue is worth, it is believed to be very valuable. The statue, which is about five feet high and weighs about half a ton, was taken to the British Museum after Mr. S. Jenyns, Deputy Keeper of Oriental Art at the Museum had examined it.

Jai Prakash's Reply To Sardar

CALICUT, April 22, (API): Mr. Jai Prakash Narain, Socialist Leader, addressing a meeting last evening in Calicut, referred to Sardar Patel's recent advice to Socialists to remain with the Congress till independence was achieved, and said he was surprised that Sardar Patel was trying to suppress the growth of the Socialist Party.

Sardar Patel's advice was unnecessary, Mr. Jai Prakash Narain said, as Socialists had no intention of leaving the Congress till independence was achieved.

Mr. Jai Prakash Narain left this morning for North Malabar.

FATE OF ADJOURNMENT MOTION ON POLICE CONDUCT

CALCUTTA, April 22 (API).—The Chief Minister, Mr. H S. Suhrawardy, announced in the Bengal Legislative Council today that two members of the armed police force, Calcutta, against whom complaints had been made in connection with the incident at a house on Harrison Road on April 14, had been placed under arrest and were being sent for trial.

The announcement was made when the motion for adjournment of the House to consider these alleged police excesses came up in the Council today. As the matter had become 'sub judice', the President disallowed the adjournment motion.

BAIL REFUSED

The two armed policemen of Calcutta who had been placed under arrest following complaints against them in connection with an incident at a house on Harrison Road on April 14 were produced before the Additional Chief Presidency Magistrate today. Their bail petitions were rejected and the case was referred to the Third Presidency Magistrate for disposal.

University For Gujarat

Committee Set Up Report On Question Of Establishment

BOMBAY, Tuesday: The Government of Bombay has appointed a Committee consisting of the following members to report on the question of the establishment of a University for Gujarat:

The Hon'ble Mr Justice M O Chagla (Chairman), the Hon'ble Mr G V Mavlankar, Mr K M Munshi, Mr Kakasaheb Kalelkar, Miss Indumati Sheth, Dr B B Yodh, Mr N M Shah, Dr M D Patel, Mr J A Taraporewala, Dr K G Naik, Mr Maganbhai Prabhudas Desai and Mr B K Mujumdar (Member-Secretary).

The terms of reference to the Committee are: (1) to make recommendations as to the scope, form, constitution and jurisdiction of a University for Gujarat, including the question of granting affiliation to the institutions outside the limits of the Bombay Province; (2) to report on the cost of establishment and maintenance of the University and to make proposals for raising the necessary funds, and (3) to make any other recommendations germane to the subject.

The Committee has been requested to submit its report to Government as early as possible before the end of December 1947.

WALLACE ATTACKED IN LORDS

LONDON, April 22 (U.P.A.): Henry A. Wallace was attacked twice in the House of Lords to-day for his anti-Truman speeches in Britain.

Lord Vansittart, former British Foreign Under-Secretary, charged that the Labour Party's foreign policy rebels brought "the woolly" Wallace to Britain at a time when he was most likely to embarrass Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin is Moscow.

Vansittart said, "Mr. Wallace devoted a great deal of attention to slamming President Truman's policy in Greece, but never once mentioned the Kremlin had been doing a hundred times more throughout the Eastern bloc in the past two years.

"Mr. Wallace came to open an exhibition of bad taste because he and his impressarios and fans have done everything in their power to prevent the Foreign Secretary from dealing with the Soviets on the basis of reason. I think it was rather a dirty trick."

Vansittart spoke during the Lords debate on the peace treaties with Italy, Rumania, Bulgaria, Hungary and Finland. The treaties were read for the second time without a record vote.

B.B.C. ATTACKED

Later, Wallace again was criticized when Lord Barnby demanded to know why the B.B.C. allocated radio time to a resigned Cabinet Minister of a friendly foreign country "when he is known to be at variance with the fundamental policies of his former colleagues."

"My question is founded on the conviction that we should be respectful to the United States and try, where possible, to avoid necessary annoyance to her," he said. "In this case I think a principle is raised which should have been referred to the Foreign Secretary."

Viscount Swinton, former Minister in the Churchill Coalition Government, recalled that Wallace had lectured in the United States and Britain on how to deal with Communism.

"Mr. Wallace appears to me," Swinton said, "about as well equipped to deal with Communism as would be a rabbit with a boa constrictor."

Swinton said the B.B.C. was guilty of unfortunate judgment in permitting Wallace to broadcast at 9-15 p.m. on Sunday, the B.B.C.'s peak listening time.

The Earl of Listowel, replying for the Government as Postmaster-General, said the Government's policy was to allow the B.B.C. complete independence in the management of its business.

News In Brief

PESHAWAR, April 22 (API.) The Frontier Premier, Dr. Khan Sahib, who went to Dera Ismail Khan yesterday to study the situation there returned to Peshawar this afternoon.

LONDON, April 22 (Reuter). The body of Major General O. C. Wingate, Commander of the Chindits recently found in Burma, will not be brought to Britain for burial with military honours, stated the War Minister, Mr. Frederick Bellenger, in the House of Commons today.

NEW DELHI April 22 (API.) Owing to the death of His Majesty King Christian of Denmark, court mourning is ordered for two weeks from the 21st April to the 4th May 1947, inclusive, says a black bordered Gazette of India extraordinary today.

AHMEDABAD, April 22 (API.) A joint meeting of the City and District Price Advisory Committees unanimously resolved today to request Government to lift all controls except those on foodgrains such as wheat, rice, millet and jowar.

PESHAWAR, April 22 (API.) The Governor of N W F P left for Dera Ismail Khan this morning by air. His Excellency will also visit Tank.

LAHORE, April 22 (API.) The Punjab Muslim League Committee of Action today granted a sum of Rs. 25,000 for relief and rehabilitation work in Amritsar. The Committee appointed a sub-committee to supervise the relief.

NAGPUR, April 22 (API.) It is understood that the Provincial Government has approved the plan for constructing 15,000 new wells in the Province during the course of five years. In pursuance of this policy allotments of Rs. 6,500,000 have been placed with Deputy Commissioners.

RANGOON, April 22 (Reuter). Armed police guarded the Labour Commissioner's office in Rangoon today following a threat of "siege" by the employees of the Army Ordnance Depot. The dispute may lead to a strike by 7,000 workers employed by the ordnance depot.

LONDON, April 22 (Reuter). Plea for religious freedom, the first for which man struggled, is today still the most urgent to be put up, the Dean of Chichester told a Spring meeting of the British Council of Churches which opened in London today. "Merely to allow religious worship is not what we mean by religious freedom and that is where the struggle is going to take place," he said.

NEW DELHI, April 22, (A.P.I.): The Government of India, it is understood, is shortly going to rename the Imperial Record Department as the 'Office of the Indian National Archives' in accordance with a resolution passed by the Indian Historical Records Commission in December, 1946.

MADRAS April 22, (A.P.I.): The number of the elected members of the Madras Corporation Council will be increased from 60 to 78 under a Bill passed by the Madras Legislative Assembly today.

MANCHESTER, April 22, (Reuter): The closing of cotton mills in the recent British fuel crisis cost cotton workers well over £1,000,000, it was stated here today. The production of yarn fell from 15.2 million pounds weight in the last week of November 1946 to 4.5 million pounds in the week ending February 22, when the crisis was at its height.

LONDON, April 22, (A.F.A.): The Gloster Aircraft Company claimed an unofficial world air speed record today with an announcement that a jet-engined Gloster "Meteor II" averaged 630 miles per hour on a 600-mile flight from Brussels to Copenhagen on Monday.

PATNA, April 22, (A.P.I.): Maulana Shah Mohammad Mohiuddin the Amir Shariat (religious leader) of the Imarat-e-Sharia (a well known Muslim religious body) of Phulwari Sharif died this morning at the age of 40 He was elected as Amir Shariat in 1924 and was patron of the Namiatul Ulema of Bihar.

TEXAS CITY, April 22, (A.F.A.): A storehouse of the South-West Sugar and Molasses Company, stored with ammonium nitrate, burst into flame today, seven days after disastrous explosion caused by the same chemical killed an estimated 576 persons in Texas City. An official said that an explosion could occur at any time."

NEW DELHI, April 22, (A.P.I.): The award of the railway adjudicator is expected to be in the hands of the Government of India by the middle of May. It is expected that the report will recommend among other things a decrease in the hours of work, which for many categories of workers are over 66 hours per week. This will involve the employment of more workers and to some extent may diminish the incidence of the retrenchment programme of railways.

NEW DELHI, April 22, (A.P.I.): His Excellency the Viceroy in his capacity as President of the India Red Cross Society, has nominated Sir Usha Nath Sen, as Chairman of the managing body of the Society, to succeed Sir Joseph Bhore, who has gratefully requested His Excellency to accept his resignation owing to pressure of other work, says a press communique.

BATAVIA, April 22, (Reuter): A 1,400-page translation of the holy quran into the Javanese language is now ready for printing after 11 years of preparation, according to the Indonesian News Agency Antara. The initiative for the work was taken by the Indian branch of the Ahmadiyah movement which has its headquarters in Lahore.

BOMBAY, April 22. The following Bills, after having received the assent of His Excellency the Governor of Bombay have become acts which are published in the Bombay Government Gazette dated April 21: The Indian Registration (Bombay Amendment) Bill, the Bombay Famine Relief Fund (Amendment) Bill, the Prisoners (Bombay Amendment) Bill the Bombay Irrigation (Amendment) Bill and the Bombay Weights and Measures (Amendment) Bill.

CALCUTTA, April 22, (A.P.I.): About a hundred women and children in lorries held a demonstration outside the Bengal Assembly compound today when the house was in session. In view of the existing order under section 144 Cr. P. C banning processions or assemblies of five at any public place they drove round the buildings, shouting slogans against alleged police excesses in the city. They demanded of the Ministry to preserve the sanctity of womanhood, or otherwise to resign.

Viceroy To Visit Frontier

D. I. Khan Situation Improves: 48-Hour Curfew In Delhi

NEW DELHI, April 22, (API): A "communique" issued from Viceroy's House this evening says:

Their Excellencies the Viceroy and Viscountess Mountbatten will visit the N.W.F.P. on Monday, April 28, returning to New Delhi the next day

FOR FIRST HAND INFORMATION

This visit is in accordance with the policy His Excellency intends to follow of making frequent tours to provinces and Indian States during his term of office. It will also enable him to acquaint himself personally with the latest developments in the situation in the N.W.F.P. arising from his meeting with the Governor and Premier of the Province in New Delhi last week.

Following the stabbing of one person in the vicinity of Delhi Ghush Mahal within the area of police station Sadar Bazar the District Magistrate, Delhi, has enforced a 48-hour curfew in the area. The curfew will however be relaxed for two hours from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. on 24th April to enable people to make their daily purchases.

Two stabbing incidents, one of which proved fatal have been reported in the city today. One incident occurred this morning at Bela Road and another in Government quarters in Karol Bagh.

It is reported that the latter was stabbed while asleep in the compound of his quarter just after midnight

Another incident occurred this morning near Pinjapole Gausala in Kishanganj where a passerby was injured by a pistol shot. He was removed to hospital.

The police searched a house and recovered parts of a pistol and twelve cartridges. One person was arrested.

CALCUTTA INCIDENTS

A Bengal Government Press Note on the Calcutta situation issued at 10 p.m. on Tuesday says:—

The city was quiet up to midday, there being no incident after midnight. During the latter part of the day, however, 15 incidents, some of a serious nature, were reported. Two incidents in which the miscreants used firearms, occurred in the jurisdictions of Beliaghata and Jorasanko Police Stations. Crackers were used on two occasions, and in one of these incidents, which occurred in Shampukur Police Station area, the cracker was thrown at a milk lorry. Another case of bomb throwing at a 'gharry' occurred today and the police arrested 14 persons in this connection. The rest of the incidents were cases of stray assaults.

Seventy persons were arrested on the spot: 131 arrests were made during the last 24 hours.

According to latest reports one person died and 19 were injured to-day.

Eight incidents were reported from Golabari and Howrah Police Station areas during the last 24 hours. In one case the miscreants used fire-arms. In four of the incidents bombs were used. Two cases of arson including one in which a bus was set on fire were also reported to-day. Seven persons were injured in these incidents. The Police made several searches and arrested 20 persons.

LADY PROFESSORS FINED

Two professors of a local women's college were sentenced to pay a fine of Rs. 250 each by the Additional Chief Presidency Magistrate of Calcutta on a charge of being members of an unlawful assembly.

It was stated by the prosecution that during the strike in the college in November last, these two professors along with others stood on the road in front of the college. They were arrested as members of an unlawful assembly, as order under section 144 Cr. P. C. forbidding assembly of more than four persons was in force.

DERA ISMAIL KHAN SITUATION IMPROVES

The Frontier Government's 'communique' issued on Tuesday nights says:—

"Situation in Dera Ismail Khan District has improved and there have been no reports of any serious fresh incidents. Some Hindus have been evacuated from the affected villages. It is reported that upto April 20 101 persons had been killed and 25 wounded in the disturbances in the district, excluding Dera Ismail Khan city.

Telephone wires were cut on the night of April 20 on the Kohat-Bannu Road and in the Kohat Pass. In the pass a bridge is also reported to have been damaged by an explosion.

A Sikh was stabbed in Peshawar Cantonment this morning. Muslim League women demonstrators entered the Peshawar Station of the All-India Radio today and caused some damage to Government property".

CAWNPORE: One more stabbing incident occurred near Macrubert Hospital on Tuesday morning. The victim was a worker of the Muir Mill who was suddenly attacked by a group of workers while he was proceeding to the mill. He succumbed to his injuries on his way to hospital.

The young employee of the Cawnpore Electric Supply Corporation who was stabbed near the Government High School on Monday also died in hospital to-day.

RAWALPINDI: Curfew has been extended until further orders within the limits of Pindi Municipality and other areas including Sardar Bazar, Churhharpal, Hassanabad, Gujarkhan and more.

TERRORISTS BLOW UP TROOP TRAIN

Five Br. Servicemen Killed: Sequel To Condemned Jews' Suicide

JERUSALEM, April 22, (Reuter): Seven people including five British servicemen are known to have been killed when Jewish terrorists blew up and fired on a Cairo-Palestine troop train carrying 250 troops and 100 civilians near the all-Jewish town of Rehovoth, Southern Palestine, today.

Two large mines exploded under the first two coaches which contained officers and civilian passengers and the rest of the train was derailed. Hardly had the smoke from the explosion blown away, when terrorists opened fire on the train from a nearby orange grove. The train guards replied and for the next seven minutes both sides fought a brisk gun battle before the terrorists broke off action.

Sappers of the Royal engineers were sent from Palestine's biggest military camp at Sarafand, some ten miles from the scene of wreck, to assist the rescue workers.

Among the injured so far reported are 23 British servicemen and 18 civilians.

The terrorists are believed to have lain in wait for the troop train as a goods train had passed over the same spot only a few minutes earlier— the mines were electrically detonated, police investigators declared.

This new terrorist attack came, a few hours after two condemned Jews had committed suicide in their cell by detonating explosives against their hearts. The men, Moshe Barasani and Meyer Feinstein, were the first terrorists to make a plea for mercy to the Palestine High Commissioner. They were to have been hanged at dawn today and made their appeal yesterday only after their relatives had pleaded with them for hours to forsake their "martyr's role".

Anglo-Soviet Treaty Revision Talks Resumed

MOSCOW, April 22. (Reuter): Anglo-Soviet Treaty revision talks were resumed last night when Sir Maurice Peterson, the British Ambassador, met M. Andrei Vyshinsky, the Soviet Foreign Minister.

No hint of the scope of the meeting is available and an official announcement merely said that "general exchange of views" took place. It is assumed that the negotiators will meet again during the conference.

Divide Punjab Into Three

Congress-Sikh Joint Representation To Jawahar

LAHORE, April 22 (A.P.A.): The demand that "immediate steps be taken to divide the Punjab into two and, if necessary, three autonomous provinces" was sent to-day to Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Vice-President of the Government of India, in a joint representation by the leaders of the Congress and the Sikh Panthic Parties in the Punjab Legislative Assembly.

The two leaders, Bhimsen Sachar and Sardar Swaran Singh, who were Ministers in the former Coalition Government, stated in their representation: "To restore responsible Government in the Punjab, we demand as an interim and transitional arrangement that His Excellency the Governor-General should install immediately two or three regional administrations with separate Ministers under one Governor for the two or three zones of the existing province of the Punjab."

"We must make it plain," the representation stated "that in the existing circumstances, we are not prepared to co-operate with the Muslim League for forming a single Ministry for the whole of the Punjab."

Sachar and Swaran Singh pinned the responsibility for the recent violence and rioting in the Punjab on the Muslim League and said "These dreadful events of the last month and a half have conclusively proved that any Government in which the Muslim League is the dominant partner will not inspire confidence and will fail to protect the minorities."

Defence Department Raises New Corps

NEW DELHI, April 22 (API.) To afford a higher degree of protection than is provided by Chowkidars to certain armed forces installations a new corps—the Defence Department Constabulary—will be organised shortly, it is officially announced.

The new corps is intended to replace regular Navy, Army and Air Force personnel hitherto employed in the protection of services installations, also Watch and Ward Wings and additional Provincial police so employed. The Constabulary will eventually absorb the Armed Forces Headquarters (India) Security Police and possibly the Royal Indian Navy Dockyard Police.

It is expected to organise the corps centre and records at Muttra by the middle of May and to start raising platoons from that date.

D. F. Karaka:

Off My Chest

The Newspaper Editors Conference has met once again and a lot of pious things have, as usual, been resolved upon.

Freedom of the Press!

Now we have to have a charter to guarantee the freedom of the press.

What nonsense!

The Press needs no charter from any Government, British, Indian or otherwise. If you can't exercise freedom with your ordinary pen (or typewriter), then no charter is worth our while.

The trouble is not with Governments. The trouble is at the source, in the press itself where there is too much abstract talk about freedom and not enough guts to speak out when the time comes and the occasion demands.

From the whole morass of the Indian Press, only one newspaper in India has exercised freedom of the press at times when that freedom has meant something. I refer to the "Statesman" editorials on the Bengal Famine and the Great Calcutta Killing of August 16-19, 1946.

We, in this city, never got to read those editorials. Not for a long time have I read editorials of a like kind in the Indian press. We are too busy patching up——calling a bloody civil war a "communal disturbance". Ending the very facts which should be exposed.

Now that the British are about to quit India, we will have to define once again the meaning of the words "The Nationalist Press".

Is the "Bombay Chronicle" nationalist?

Is the "Times of India" nationalist?

Is the "People's Age" nationalist?

They all express divergent views on matters of national policy

So we must recast and revalue the Indian Press.

The heart of the Indian Press is to be found in the unknown young men in many a newspaper office, who never get a bye-line in their newspapers but who still work at miserable salaries believing that journalism is a mission and a crusade.

The All-India Newspaper Editors haven't done a damn thing about improving the working conditions in newspaper offices in India or about taking up seriously the cause of journalists with the proprietors, or of improving the scales of pay in newspaper offices.

You can't write editorials (and the Nationalist Press wrote plenty of them) about the "poor pay" of Post-Office and Government peons and then have the sepoys on newspaper offices working on a quarter or a third of that salary.

The Newspaper Editors of India should have the guts to print in their columns the pay roll of their own paper.

That way freedom of the press will surely come. Not by a charter.

EAST INDONESIA'S FIRST PARLIAMENT OPENS

MACASSAR, (Dutch East Indies) April 22, (Reuter): The first Parliament of the world's newest self-Governing state of East Indonesia was opened today in a renovated schoolroom of an old Catholic Mission in this ancient Portuguese spice port. Dr. Hubertus Van Mook, Lieutenant Governor-General of the Netherlands East Indies, and the Netherlands Commissioner General, who are working to reconstruct the political framework of Indonesia, attended the ceremony.

The Interim President of the new State, M. Tjokorde Soekawati, said that during the session, steps would be taken to draft a constitution. He hoped they would soon welcome Dutch Borneo into the ranks of the Indonesian States so that the matter of a federated Indonesian Union could be taken up.

M. Soekawati added that the Government of East Indonesia was fully prepared to give loyal co-operation to accomplishment of the ideal behind the Linggadjati Agreement. He hoped the Republican Government would become a "convinced co-operator" towards establishment of a federation of self-conscious enduring States.

NEW GOVERNMENT POLICY

M. Soekawati announced that his Government was given its help in the development of foreign-owned industries and intended to introduce a programme for extension of education, social welfare, labour inspection and better housing.

Gongs sounded the Indonesian welcome for the President and the Chairman, Tajoeddin Noor, who were both immaculately dressed in European morning suits throughout the session. The two sat on flower-decked chairs looking down on 72 Dutch and Indonesian members of the new Parliament.

East Indonesia with a population of 9,000,000 consists of the Celebes, the Lesser Sundas and the Moluccas. In 1949 it is to federate with the Indonesian Republic of Java, Sumatra, Madura and the self-governing state of Dutch Borneo. They will form the United States of Indonesia envisaged in the Linggadjati Agreement signed last month by the Dutch and the Indonesian Republic. They will then enter into a union with the Netherlands Kingdom under the Dutch Crown.

NO WHEAT IN SURAT

SURAT, April 22. (A.P.I.): Surat is without wheat this week, as the commodity is not available in ration shops.

The District Magistrate had announced last week a reduction in the quantum of wheat ration to fifteen tolas per unit, but the stocks not being enough for equitable distribution to the whole town, the wheat ration is stated to have been discontinued.

A similar situation is reported from other parts of the district.

When British Quit India And Burma

Anglo-Indians And Anglo-Burmans Want To Emigrate To South America

LONDON, April 22 (Reuter).—Thousands of Anglo-Indians and Anglo-Burmans want to emigrate to South America, declares an article in today's London "News Chronicle", which also mentions Col. Georges L. Fleury as saying that there is no colour bar in Brazil.

The article by the "News Chronicle" commentator Ken Digby says, "The eyes of thousands of Anglo-Indians and Anglo-Burmans are turning to South America. The emigration trickle may become a flood if plans to secure British Government aid are realised.

Many persons of mixed European and native ancestry view the independence of India and Burma with misgivings and feel that they may form a forgotten class unacceptable to the local population and facing colour bar in Britain.

Kendigby adds, "Advance Scouts have gone to South America to sound the possibility of large scale immigration. The reports reflect a mixture of disappointment and hope. Writing to prospective settlers, Col. Georges L. Fleury says of Brazil, 'My first impression is very favourable. The people are friendly and there is no colour bar.'"

AMERICANS' POOR KNOWLEDGE OF INDIA

NEW YORK, April 22 (Reuter).—Mrs. Krishna Hutheesingh yesterday declared that she was "astounded" at the Americans' lack of knowledge of India.

Mrs. Hutheesingh has been in the United States for over three months and is returning to India next week. She recently completed a coast-to-coast lecture tour.

In an interview she said: "Wherever I went, I found Americans keenly interested in India, but they seemed to know so little about it. They were all eager for more knowledge of India."

She is leaving New York today for Washington, where she will remain for about one week before returning to India by air.

Master Khan Shafiullah Hidayatullah, M.Sc. (Agri.) Economics Research Student of the Bombay University, who has been awarded a scholarship by the University sailed for U.S.A. on 17th inst. for higher studies in Agricultural Economics. Master Khan, who is only 23 years old is a resident of Amalner (East Khandesh) being the son of Mr. Hidayatullah B. Khan, a prominent merchant and social figure in the district.

Cochin Dewan On Kerala Unification

Suggests Sub-Federation Of Units

ERNAKULAM, April 21 (API): Dewan Bahadur C. P. Karunakara Menon, Dewan of Cochin, has issued the following statement: "When other areas in India are preparing to group themselves into linguistic or cultural units for future administration, it does not seem to me wise to discourage a federation (or a sub-federation as I called it) of the present administrative bits of Kerala for certain matters of common interest to them. The fact that there are two Indian states in this area no doubt complicates the formation of a union but that is exactly the reason for suggesting a sub-federation and not a province at present. But this fact or the fact that one unit in this area is more advanced than others (as claimed by Sir C. P. Ramaswamy Aiyer) can be an obstacle to the Union, which for more effective strength it would derive for common action is considered necessary.

The idea of similiarity in the area of population revenue or industrial or other advancement being essential for the Union would cut at the root of the proposed Indian union of dissimilar provinces. If it is granted there is to be responsible Government in each of these areas (under rulers in the case of two states) the question of subordination of a ruler apprehended by Sir C. P. Ramaswami Aiyer would not really arise, because the sub-federation will obviously not be administered autocratically by its head, but in effect by representatives of the people of the three areas through a constitutional head. In other words the same people who administer each of the units would administer the sub-federation also. I have stated my personal view about a possible form of union, a form in my opinion least open to objection.

What exactly should be the nature and constitution of the Union is a matter to be settled by agreement among the federation units. If one of the units chooses not to join a union of Kerala it would be unfortunate. I do not wish to offer further comments because after all it is the people of Kerala as a whole who will have to consider and decide their future."

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800 Maunds Of Wheat Burnt Down

LAHORE, April 21 (A.PIL): About 800 maunds of wheat cut from the fields and stored, was completely burnt down by a fire which broke out at a distance of two miles from Sialkot on Saturday, it is learnt here. The fire brigade reached the spot and extinguished the fire.

Mr. P. N. Thapar, Commissioner, Lahore Division, who arrived in Sialkot during the weekend, visited the scene of fire along with the Deputy Commissioner and the Superintendent of Police. The cause of the fire is not yet known. The police are making enquiries.

This caused a commotion in the neighbouring areas. Troops marched into these areas and restored confidence.

A number of officials and local public men met Mr. Thapar in Sialkot and assured him their full co-operation in suppressing rumours and mischief mongers.

Mr. Thapar accompanied by the Deputy Commissioner and other police officers toured the city at midnight during curfew hours and returned to Lahore on Sunday.

Diamond Flown To Bombay

SHANNON AIRPORT (Eire), April 22 (Reuter): One of the first items of freight to arrive into Shannon Airport after it had been declared a free port yesterday, was an 11.35 carat green diamond. It was on the trans-world air lines plane "Taj Mahal" bound from New York to Bombay for the National City Bank in Bombay.

Even though Shannon is now the first free airport in the world, the airport police paid particular attention to the valuable cargo.

CHARGED WITH ACCEPTING ILLEGAL GRATIFICATION

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The Shunting Master of the Byculla Railway Station Goods Depot was arrested yesterday by the Anti-Corruption Branch of the Bombay C.I.D. on a charge of accepting illegal gratification of Rs. 20.

On the 18th the Bombay Vehicle Depot of the Royal Indian Army Ordnance Corps had loaded 10 military vehicles with two wagons at the Byculla Goods Depot for dispatch to Dehu Road. The vehicles had to be escorted by a Convoy Supervisor. Whenever he inquired from the Shunting Master about the departure of the wagons he was put off on some pretext or the other. Yesterday when the accused, Nageshrao Apparao Tambekar, is alleged to have stated of speeding up the work if "speedy money" was paid to him. The Convoy Supervisor informed the Anti-Corruption Department of this. A bait was held out to him by Inspector Rao Saheb Shete and Sub-Inspector Talwar. Rs. 20 in marked money were given to him which he accepted.

Painter Arrested

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

For the alleged stealing of silk cloth valued at Rs. 5,740 from a shop at Bomanji Master Road a painter, Raja Babaji, was arrested by the police yesterday.

It is stated that while painting the shop he used to inquire prices of the silk pieces and that the entrance effected is such that it is not possible to do so unless a person is thoroughly conversant with the layout of the whole building.

He was produced today before Mr. Oscar Brown, Chief Presidency Magistrate, Esplanade Court and remanded into police custody.

EMPLOYMENT EXCHANGE

The utility of the Central Government's Employment Exchange Organisation was recognised by the Provincial and States Labour Ministers who recently met in Conference in New Delhi. Consensus of opinion in the Conference was in favour of making it a permanent Organisation subject to such modifications as might be required to suit provincial and peacetime requirements.

The Conference supported the proposal to set up under the Labour Department a Central Institute for training 200 Instructors in vocational and technical trades.

LAKE SUCCESS, New York, April 21. (Reuter): The Arab attempt to force the special United Nations general assembly on April 28 into a full dress debate on Palestine will be opposed by Great Britain and the United States but the attempt is nevertheless expected here to prolong the session considerably.

INDEPENDENCE OF PALESTINE

Egypt Asks U.N.O. To Take Up The Subject

LAKE SUCCESS. (New York) April 21 (Reuter): Egypt has formally asked the United Nations' Secretary General to include the following item on the agenda of the special Palestine General Assembly.

"Termination of the mandate over Palestine and declaration of its independence".

The expected move of the Arab States to have the whole question of the future status of Palestine debated in the special Assembly came just eight days before the opening of the United Nations Assembly. According to the rules of procedure of special sessions, the Assembly itself must decide whether Egypt's additional item is acceptable. A two-thirds majority is required.

It is believed in well-informed United Nations circles that the Arab move will only with difficulty receive a two-thirds majority, as few States want a full-dress debate on Palestine at this stage but inevitably the debate on Egypt's proposal will prolong the session.

SIAM TO ATTEND U.N.O. COUNCIL MEETING

NEW YORK, April 22 (A.P.A.): The special session of the General Assembly of the United Nations beginning Monday, April 28, on the Palestine question will welcome Siam as the first former enemy satellite admitted to United Nations membership.

Siam became a member through special action of the Security Council and confirmation by the regular session of the General Assembly just before it adjourned last December 16, but it was not stated at that meeting.

The Siamese were formally declared at war with Britain and other allies soon after their country was overrun by the Japanese in 1941.

EXPULSION OF GERMANS FROM TANGANYIKA

U. N. Trusteeship Council Considering Petitions

LAKE SUCCESS (NEW YORK), April 22 (Reuter).—The United Nations Trusteeship Council heard the story of Nazi activity in Tanganyika (an East African colony taken from Germany after the first world war) when they considered petitions by German residents against deportation to Germany yesterday.

Mr. Ivor Thomas, the British Delegate, said that Germans were allowed to return to Tanganyika in 1925 and established themselves in great numbers.

The Nazi Party was established in Tanganyika in 1936 and Germans designated officials for the day when they would take the territory over.

Mr. Thomas told the Trustee Council that the policy in Tanganyika was to secure expulsion only of Germans who had held Nazi or hostile sympathies or were in other ways undesirable.

Germans, he said, did not want to return to their own country because it was devastated, but he added: "The persons concerned did not lift a finger in protest when German forces were making Poland a desert or sweeping their way through Holland and Belgium and France or setting fire to the cities of Russia or raining destruction on the town of Great Britain."

Mr. Thomas said that he believed the Council would see no reason to intervene in the petitioner's cases.

Mr. Thomas said that the British had no desire to exclude the petitions, but the French representative, M. Roger Garreau, said that German nationals had no right to present petitions before the signing of the peace treaty, adding, "I have full confidence in the humanitarian conduct of the British authorities and this matter should be left to them."

The Council adjourned until 7 p.m. G.M.T. today.

RITA PANDIT DISCHARGED FROM HOSPOTAL

NEW YORK, April 21 (Reuter): Miss Rita Pandit, 17-year-old niece of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Vice-President of the Indian Interim Government, who recently underwent a serious operation in New York has now left hospital.

Miss Pandit, youngest daughter of Mrs. Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit, Minister in the United Provinces Government—was stated to be making satisfactory progress. She is attending a school in America.

Travancore Reforms Undemocratic

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

"The proposed constitutional reforms in Travancore are undemocratic and unworkable", was the emphatic view expressed by Mr. P. Balakrishnan Tampi, a prominent State Congress leader from Travancore, who arrived in Bombay yesterday after attending the All-India States Peoples Conference at in an interview with a "Chronicle" representative today.

"All shades of political opinion in the State have condemned it. It is only an attempt of a clever lawyer to hide personal rule under seemingly democratic trapping", added Mr. Tampi.

It was the aspiration of the people, he continued, to fit Travancore, with little disturbance to monarchical rule, into the proposed Kerala province. "All the necessary natural conditions for the formation a separate province are there—common traditions, language, etc."

Answering Sir C. P. Ramaswami Iyer's contention that the scheme was impracticable, Mr. Tampi said that the industrial or economic structure of Travancore would not be affected in any way by its coalescing into the proposed province. "On the other hand, that part of Kerala which had been long neglected by the Madras Government, stands a better chance of being developed with the resources and experience gained by Travancore and Cochin these several decades. The number of ports and harbours on the Malabar coast, the vast forest and mineral wealth and above all a keen and patriotic people augur well for its success and prosperity of the province", asserted Mr. Tampi.

Asked about his impressions on the All-India States Peoples Conference, which had just concluded its session in Gwalior, he said that though the organisational side was not so much developed, it had begun to feel its own individuality. "It is no longer an attache to British Indian leaders for providing convenient platforms."

KARNATAK UNIFICATION CONVENTION'S DEMAND

(From A Correspondent)

KUMTA, April 22.

The All-Karnatak Unification Convention was held at Hegde Taluka Kumta, on Sunday last under the Presidentship of Shri S Nijalingapa, President, Karnataka Provincial Congress Committee. Shri K. B. Jenraj Hegde inaugurated the conference. The convention passed resolutions on the immediate need of separate United Karnatak Province, the development of industries, ports and transportation facilities in this part of Karnatak, protection of the rights of minorities in Karnatak.

"BERAR SHOULD BE FULLY FREE"

Shukla Says That Territory Should Determine Her Own Future

NAGPUR, April 21 (API).—"If the Government of H.E.H. the Nizam wishes to have friendly discussions on Berar, the proper venue is the Constituent Assembly on which Berar is represented and which Hyderabad has been invited to join," says Pandit Ravi Shankar Shukla, Premier of C.P. and Berar, in a message sent on his behalf and of his colleagues, to Mr. Brijlal Biyani, President of the Berar Provincial Congress Committee and convener of an all-party conference at Akola to consider the future of Berar with special reference to the recent claims of the Nizam.

Pandit Shukla says, "We are unanimously of the opinion that Berar should be fully free to determine her own future uninfluenced by extraneous factors. We are confident that when the rest of India is looking forward to complete self-rule within the next few months, the freedom-loving Berari, who played no mean part in the struggle for independence, will not be content with a mere change of masters. As for the rest, there are several alternatives before Berar. She may, if she so desires, continue to form part of the Central Provinces as she has done during the last half century, or she may join the United Maharashtra Province when one is formed, or with C. P Marathi form a province of her own as Vidarbha—or lastly, she may decide to be an independent unit by herself of the Indian union.

STRIKERS LIFT "BLACK BAN" ON NEWSPAPERS

MELBOURNE, VICTORIA, April 22, (Reuter): Country trains running out of strike-bound Melbourne carried newspapers today after the Trade Union decision to remove the "black ban" on Newspapers on country trains. Their decision was made after a stern warning by Mr. John Cain, Victoria State Premier, that the Government would not tolerate the ban.

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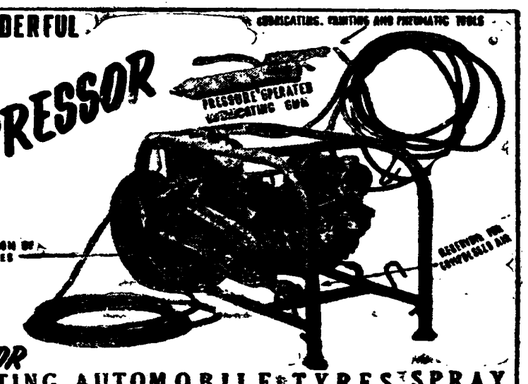

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GENERAL REALISING ON STOCK EXCHANGE

Further Rise In Silver Price

COTTON RULES QUIET AFTER EARLY STEADINESS

Bombay, April 22

The Bombay Stock Exchange opened steady and under scattered buying small gains was recorded after the opening but thereafter there was general realising which resulted in a steady decline. As anticipated urgent short interest was covered up and the market was left without any buying support.

Tata Steel Defd shares opened at Rs. 2155 and advanced at Rs. 2162/8 which was the highest level for the day as later prices kept on declining with temporary rallies but ultimately Defds eased off at Rs. 2110. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 399/8 and downturned at Rs. 392. Bombay Dyeing shares opened at Rs. 1110 and declined at Rs. 1070 but recovered at Rs. 1090 and steadied at Rs. 1085. Kohinoor shares which are popular for speculative enterprise opened at Rs. 615 and after improving at Rs. 617 declined at Rs. 599. Simplex shares opened at Rs. 307 and after declining at Rs 298 rallied at Rs 302 but again quietened at Rs. 299. Swadeshi shares opened at Rs. 590 and eased off at Rs. 578. Scindia shares opened at Rs. 32/12 but quietened at Rs. 31/14 while Central Bank shares after opening at Rs. 104/8 were placed at Rs 103/8. Tone of the market was quiet.

MILLS

Bombay Dyeing 1072/8 Kohinoor 595 Swadeshi 575 Nagpur 278 Simplex 295 New Great 352 Gokak 289 Indore 570 Century 850 Colaba 255 Indian Bleaching 158 Swan 370, Finlay 304 Morarji 605 Edward 725 Meyer 240 Apollo 4/3/6 I. U. Ord. 15/2 I. U. Dfd. 3/3 Madhusudan 290 Poddar 325 Khatau 308/12.

STEEL SHARES

Tata Steel Ord 392 Tata Steel Dfd. 2105 Second Pref. 168/12.

CEMENT

Associated Merger 173/12.

INDUSTRIES

Burma 456/4 Bellapur 249 Shivrajpur 37 Scindia 31/10 P. Construction 198 Tata Chemical 16/6 Tata Oil 78 Indian Iron 34.9 Bengal Steel 26/8.

ELECTRIC SHARES.

Tram Ordinary 110 Tata Hydro 176/8 Andhra 1580 Tata Power 1700

MILLS (CASH).

Elphinstone 92 Phoenix 1160 India Manufacturing 3700 Koorla 300 Dawn 1600 David 153/12 New City 260 Minerva 215 Bradbury 595 Bharucha (Defd.) 8 Bharat 51/8 Mysore 300 Madhavji 17 Model 205 Laxmi 1750 Vishnu 677/8 Western 3600 Standard 562/8 Sholapur 6000 Sassoon Cotton 24/8 Hindustan 3600 Tata 96/12 Ahmedabad Advance 460 Sassoon Silk 89 New Union 26/14 Madhusudan B. 60 Srinivas 380 Raja Bahadur 116.4 Seraj 375 Victoria 425

ELECTRIC SHARES (CASH)

Ahmedabad 160.10 (New) 120/10 Surat (Ord.) 243/12 New Pre. 211/4 Karachi 240 Broach 13 Ajmer 13/8 Amalgamated 20/4 Jalgaon 14/12 Nagpur 58 Poona 260 Bombay Suburban 202/8 Bombay Suburban (New) 164/10

BANK SHARES

Reserve 120 Imperial 2257/8 F. P. 571/4 Central X. R. 103 India X. D 225 Union X. D 11/10 Baroda 157/8 Habib 166 Dena Bank 60. United Commercial 77/8 Jaipur 62 Bikaner 31 Hindusthan Com. 48 National Savings (fully paid 82 Mysore 460 Exchange (Ord.) 52 Eastern 196 Bombay Provincial 85

INSURANCE

Oriental 6300 Empire 975 New India 82 Jupiter 34 Vulcan 15/14 Indian Mercantile 61 Universal Fire 18 Vasant 22/4 British India General 23 Industrial Prudential 45 Neptune 13/6 New Great 43 All-India General 40/4

RAILWAYS.

C. P. 108-8 Mymensing 113 Guaranteed 113 Sara Sirajganj 116 Pachora 101 Mandra Bnch. 115

MISCELLANEOUS

Alcock 510 Steamer 567/8 Burma New 165 Burma Petrol 3/9 Mackenzie 185 Port Canning 84 Kemp 575 Zandu Pharmacy 202/8 Indian Radio (Ord.) 377 Indian Radio B. 375 Indian Radio 362/8 Indian Investment Trust 107 Wimco X. R. 250 Dharamsey Chemical 30 Mukund Iron 14/12 Dena Trust 25 Alembic 355 Supreme India 228 Jamwire 141/8 Bombay Uganda 85 Bombay Motor Cycle 43/8 India Cement 42 Walchand Nagar Industries 325 United Motor 70 A C.C. New 64.

PREFERENCE SHARES.

Tata Steel (1st Pref.) 235 Tram 52/8 Andhra Valley 1380 Tata Power 1425 Hydro 145 Bombay Steamer 348/12 Nagpur 702/8 Swadeshi 150 Vishnu 805 Laxmi 306/4 New Great 268/12 Poddar 116 Shrinivas 101 Elphinstone 130 Bradbury 553/12 Surat Elec. 211/4 Premier Construction (1st Pref.) 120 (2nd Pref.) 122/8 Amalgamated 156/4 Habib 72 Tata Chemical 122/8 Walchand Nagar Industries 250 Jupiter 19/12 Supreme 107.

OUTSIDE SHARES

Indian Copper 3/6 B.I.C. 9/4 Burma Corporation 4/7 New Victoria 6 New Victoria Preference 7 Raja 27 Phalton 125 Gold Mohar 3/0 New Kaiser-i-Hind 430 Sajjan 300 Osmanshahi 300 Ajamshahi 265 Air Services 17 Air India 192/8 Birla Motor 8/3 Marshal 8.

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GOLD AND SILVER

Bombay, April 22

The Bullion market was fairly firm for cash and both Gold and Silver prices improved further. The market remains manipulated and forward business was difficult in view of the recent developments.

In the meantime members of the Merchants Committee as well as Directors of the Board of the Bullion Exchange have gone to see the Finance Member of the Bombay Government.

Ready Silver was placed at Rs. 170/12 and Ready Gold was quoted at Rs. 107. Nominal quotation for Vaishakh Silver was Rs. 163/8 to Rs. 164 while Vaishakh Gold was quoted at Rs. 105/6 to Rs. 105/10.

Later on it was said that the Finance Member had long discussion with members of the Merchants' Committee and the President of the Exchange. It is said that the Finance Member advised them to arrive at amicable settlement otherwise the Government will have to step in as only some three months back the present design of trading was allowed.

It appears that this created better impression and some members were inclined to have a compromise on fair basis but it remains to be seen whether anything can be done after the ruling of the High Court.

Final quotations were as under:

Ready Silver	172	8	0
Ready Gold	107	4	0

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, April 22

The local Cotton market ruled steady with scattered buying. Trading was restricted and price fluctuations were confined to a narrow range.

At the opening July was quoted at Rs. 437 and advanced at Rs. 437/8 on moderate buying and thereafter steadied at Rs. 437/4. September business was reported at Rs. 445/8.

Later on there was scattered selling and July declined at Rs. 436/14 while September was quoted at Rs. 445.

Towards the close there was some realising and the market closed at 4-30 p.m. as under:

I. C. C. July	436	0	0
I. C. C. Sept.	444	4	0

INDIAN COTTON PARITY.

Indian Cotton July Contract is 1720 cent points below New York July at Exchange rate 331.

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES.

BOMBAY, April 21.

	Hi.	Lo.	Closing.
May	—	—	—
July	437-3/4	435-1/2	437
Sept.	445	443-1/2	445
Karachi 4F July	46-0-6	45-13-3	45-15-9

RECORD OF ACTUAL TRANSACTIONS IN SHARES.

BOMBAY, April 22.

MILLS.

Apollo 4/4.6 4/4 4/3 4/3/6
Bharat 51/8
B. Dyeing 1110 1097/8 1102/8 1070 90 75 77/8 72/8
C. India 284 80/8 82 77 78 76 78
E. Textiles 715 25
Colaba 255
Elphinstone (Ord.) 91 92
Elphinstone (Pref.) 130
Finlay 310 6 7 2 4
Gokak 295 88 89
I. U. (Defd.) 3/4 3/3
I. U. (Ord.) 15 9 15.5 15.6 15/2 15/3 15/2 15/3 15/2
Indore 590 92/8 63/12 71/4 66/4 70
Kohinoor 615 17 12 14 9 11 598 60-599 600 599 601 592 99 95
Laxmi 1750
Meyer 240
Model 207/8 3/12 8
Morarji 605
New Great 360 55 57 53 54 52
Podar 323/12 25
Simplex 307 4 7 298 302 295
Swadeshi 590 80 84 74 80 75
Swan 375 70
Tata Mills 99 98 98/4 97 96 96/12
Vishnu 677/8
Madhusudan B. 60 X. R.

BANKS.

Baroda 159/8 59 59/8 58/8
Central 104/8 3 3/8 3
Imperial (Old) 2260 55 57/8
Imperial (New) 575 76/4 68/12 71/4 67/8 71/4
India 227 25 26 25
Reserve 121 20
U. Commercial 79 77 79 77/8
Jaipur Bank 62
Dena Bank 60

ELECTRIC.

Anmedabad 160/10 (21-4-47)
Andhra Valley 1575 80
B. Tram (Ord.) 112/8 10 11 10
B. Tram Pref.) 52/4 52/8
Hydro 176/8
Power 1712/8 1700
Power (Pref.) 1425
New India Ins. 84 82
Ahmedabad Elec. (New) 120/10

STEAMER.

B. Steam 570 72/8 65 67/8
Scindhia 32/12 33/2 32 32/2 31/10

STEEL.

B. Steel 27/2 26/8 26/10 26/8
I. Iron 35/2 34/7 34/10 34/9
Tata (Defd.) 2155 62/8 40 45 17/8 25 7/8 20 10 15 5
Tata (Ord.) 399/8 95 97 92 98/8 92
Tata (IInd Pref.) 170/8 69/8 70 68/12

MISCELLANEOUS.

Alcock 516/4 10
A. C. C. (Old) 179 74 75/8 73/8 74/8 73/8
A. C. C. (New) 64
Belapur 251 53 48 49 46 48 47 49
B. B. (Old) 462/8 67/8 52/8 58/12 58 57/8 56/4
B. B. (New) 165
B. B. Petrol 3-10 3/10/3 3/10
I. Bleaching 158
P. Construction 207 8 1999 200 197 98
Shivrajpur 37/8 37
Tata Chemical 16/10 16/6
Tata Oil 30/8 75 78
Wimco 251/4 50

PRODUCE MARKET

BOMBAY, April 22.

The produce market was fairly steady today. Groundnuts were steady with Khandesh quality about Rs. 30. Coromandal at Rs. 39/4 and Bold quality at Rs. 26/12. There was very little business. Castorseeds market was steady with scattered buying. May delivery opened at Rs. 128/12 and after improving at Rs. 129/8 reached at Rs. 128/15. Linseed ready was quoted at Rs. 25/6 and April-May delivery business was done at Rs. 25/2. Groundnut Oil Bombay Mills ready Rs. 17/14, April Rs. 17/2 and May delivery Rs. 17/8. Castorseeds Oil first pressing Rs. 20/6 and commercial quality Rs. 17/8. Linseed Oil Rs. 17/8.

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE.

BOMBAY, April 22.

Tata Ordinary 392; Tata Deferred 2105; Indian Iron 34/9; Steel Corpn. of Bengal 26/8; Bombay Dyeing 1072/8; Central India 270/10; Gokak 288/12; Kohinoor 595; Simplex 295; Swadeshi 575; Tata Power 1700; Associated Cement 173/12; Belapur 248/12; Bombay Burma (Old) 456/4; Scindia 31/10; Central Bank 103/2; New India 81/14; Tata 2nd Pef. 168/12.

SALES OF TREASURY BILLS

Tenders for Rs. Two Crores of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills were opened on Tuesday, the 22nd April. Total amount offered was Rs. 2,91,50,000. Tenders at Rs. 99-14-6 were accepted in full and those at Rs. 99-14-3 allotted approximately 64 per cent. Total amount accepted was Rs. 2,00,00,000, the average rate of accepted tenders being Re. 0-6-10 per cent per annum.

Tenders for Rs. Two Crores of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills will be received on Tuesday, the 29th April upto 11 a.m. at Bombay and upto the close of business on Monday, the 28th April at other centres. Successful tenderers should make payment on Friday, the 2nd May.

During the week ended the 18th April, Government of India Treasury Bills for Rs. 4,66,00,000 were sold in favour of the Issue Department of the Reserve Bank of India.

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, April 21.

T. T. London on: New York sellers 4.0275 buying 4.0325 Madrid sellers 44.00 Montreal sellers 4.0275 buying 4.0325 Zurich sellers 17.34 buying 17.36 Stockholm sellers 14.47 buying 14.50

CHICAGO WHEAT.

CHICAGO, April 21.

May 2.55.
July 2.19-3/4.
September 2.14-1/4.
December 2.11-1/2.

New York Cotton Moderately Active

FUTURES 65 POINTS HIGHER TO 12 POINTS LOWER

NEW YORK, April 21. (U. P. A.): Moderately active trading and irregular prices featured today's session of the New York Cotton Exchange. The independent strength of May was the dominant market feature as trade shorts attempted to cover before the first notice day next Friday. The withdrawal from selling in the spot month by a leading spot firm at a premium over July, which widened to 216 points, created a tight technical position in the spot month. Later deliveries turned reactionary after the early strength, yielding under liquidation on President Truman's plea for lower prices and proposals for a revision in the parity price support formula Secretary of Agriculture Clinton Anderson, before the House Agriculture Committee, today suggested that Congress overhaul the parity formula and indicated that wheat may drop to $2 per bushel when the new crop begins to move to the market. Mr. Anderson declared that the "best and most effective price control is production" and noted that the wheat price had already dropped from above three dollars to about dol. 250 per bushel

The market opened 13 to 20 higher and closed 65 higher to 12 lower. July was affected by the action in May and reports of continued rainy weather over a large section of the South delaying new crop seeding were being received. Buyers also drew encouragement from private reports that despite the severe wet weather, the emergence of boll weevil next season threatens to be relatively heavy.

STATISTICAL ASPECT.

As the new crop uncertainties were brought into the foreground, attention shifted back to the statistical aspects of the situation and the conviction strengthened that the end of the season shortage of supplies will be felt well into the new season and until the new harvest is in full swing.

The New York Cotton Exchange Service Bureau estimated that the probable domestic carryover on August 1st at around 2,900,000 bales, the smallest since 1937-38 when it totalled 2,313,000 bales. The Bureau pointed out that distribution from August 1st through March 31st totalled 9,519,000 bales and that the distribution during the remainder of the season may reach 3,981,000 bales, making a total of 13,500,000 bales out of an approximate supply of 16,400,000 bales.

Washington trade reports say that any effort to limit or reduce the number of cotton spindles operating in Japan will be fought by the Senate Cotton Bloc who are also expected to show determined opposition to the War Department's proposal that Brazilian cotton be shipped to Japan. It is pointed out here that under the Potsdam Agreement Japan is to be stripped of certain heavy industries. Consequently, to maintain a living standard, it seemed reasonable to assume that textile production there would not be cut below the 1930-33 level.

Trade expressed the opinion that the situation in May will be the dominant market influence until the Notice Day. New crop has been neglected speculatively despite the adverse crop progress thus far and the tendency is apparently to await a more definite trend in that direction

NEW YORK COTTON.

New York, April 21

May	36.25+65
May highest	36.25+65
May lowest	35.81+21
July	34.04+36
October	29.70—12
December	28.75—06
January	28.47—06
March	28.30+05
Middling Spot	36.65+70

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.

New York, April 21

May	35.03+43
July	35.96+36
October	29.73—06
December	28.75—15
March	28.35—05
Middling Spot	36.70+35

LONDON STOCK MARKET CLOSES FIRM

LONDON, April 21 (UPA.)

Stocks closed firm on the London market today with renewed buying orders scattered over such a wide range of industrials as to brighten the market generally, without greatly advancing prices.

British Government issues were quiet and showed scarcely a single change from Friday's closing prices.

The active section from speculators' viewpoint was foreign bonds. Railways were up three pounds sterling to a new high of 185. Oils improved with Anglo-Iranians up to a new high of 7-7/8 sterling.

HAPUR MARKET.

HAPUR, April 21.

Wheat 16; Barley 9/8/6; Gram 11/8; Maize 7/10; Bajra 7/18; Jawar 8; Bejhar 7/6; Gur 12/12; Shakkar 13/12; Arhar 10/8; Jeth 10/8; Peas 10/6; Jeth 10/7; Mustardseed 18/4; Jeth 18/8/6; Highest 18/6/6; Lowest 18/2; Extremely steady Silver Ready 171/8; Forward 166/8; Highest 166/14; Lowest 164/12; Opened 165; Gold Ready 107; Forward 101; Highest 181; Lowest Opened 100/8; Silver very steady Gold quiet Bardana Asuj 68/14; Asarh 68 6 Steady.

CALICUT MARKET.

CALICUT, April 22.

Coiryarn Beypore 190/200; Quilandy 210/200; Fibre Garbled 170; Ungarbled 165; Cocoanuts Raw 130; Dry 140; Cocoanut Oil 485; Copra Office 330; Dilpasand 375; Madrasnottam 385; Pepper Wynaad 550; Country 540; Dry Ginger Chernad 270; Ernad 260; Coffee Robusta 86; Timber Pali 52/8; Junglewood 30; Vellapine 40/47; Benteak 50/55; Teak 80/90; Mango Planks 8/8; Teak 15/18; Rosewood 17/8.

CALCUTTA SHARE BAZAR

CALCUTTA, April 22.

Stock Exchange: The market ruled steady and a fair business was put through. Securities ruled steady. Following are todays final transactions upto 2-0 p.m.

The market will remain entirely closed tomorrow, the 23rd April in view of the impeding general strike.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES: Three per cent Government Paper 102/10 a lot three per cent defence 1949/52 101/15 small lot three per cent 1951/54 102/4 small lot three per cent 1953/55 102/8 small lot three per cent 1963/65 102/6 small lot three per cent 1986 101/12 small lot two half per cent loan 1961 98/10 three per cent 1959/61 102/6 small lot three per cent 1970/75 102/4.

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SUGAR: Ramnugger Cane 26 Samastipore 19/2 Ct Teas Eastern Cachar 10 Ct Jutlibari 23/8.

PEPPER FUTURES CLOSE UNCHANGED TO 200 HIGHER

NEW YORK, April 21. (U.P.A.) Black pepper futures closed unchanged to 200 higher during today's session of the New York market, with no sales reported.

Brokers said that Truman's plea for lower prices and the quick collapse of the demand in the spot market which was seen last week accounted for the easier price swing.

Dealers said that buyers' ideas on lampong, spot and black, were reduced to around 36 cents per pound with small offerings available at 38.

A 28-ton lot of Mexican pepper was reported to be hanging over the market with intimations that business could be done on the basis of 26 cents.

The failure of the recent spot demand to broaden surprised some traders in view of the uncertainty regarding the probable change in the date of Indian Export licences and concern over Dutch production from new plantings.

Closing prices included: May 37 nom; July 36 nom; September 31 bid; October 31 nom; December 30 nom; January 28 bid; March 29 asked.

NEW YORK SILVER

NEW YORK, April 21. (U.P.A.): The price of silver remained unchanged on the New York Market today at 75-5/8 cents per ounce, with increased offerings balanced off by heavier demand.

The volume of business transacted was estimated at about 300,000 ounces.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

NEW YORK, April 21.

American Telephone and Telegraph	164-1/8
Amerex Holding Co.	29
Anaconda Copper Mining	37
Chase National Bank	32-3/4
Sinclair Oil	15-3/8
Firestone Tyre & Rubber Co.	54-1/2
General Electric Co.	34-7/8
General Motors	57
Ingersol Rand	114-7/8
International Nickel	30-1/4
National City Bank of New York	36-5/8
New York Central Rail Road Co.	16-3/4
Socony Vacuum Corporation	14-3/8
Texas Corporation	57-1/8
Union Carbon and Carbide	96-3/4
U. S. Smelting Refining Mining Co.	44
U. S. Steel Corporation (Common)	69-5/8
Western Union Telegraph	16-3/4

LONDON BULLION

London, April 21.

Silver: Spot	46d
Forward	45-1 4d
Gold bars fine per oz.	8/12 3

LONDON WHEAT

London, April 21.

Australian Wheat (bulk) F.O.B. 103 April/May quoted

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, April 21.

	£
Consols 2-1/2 pc	95-3/8
Conversion Loan 3-1/2 pc 1961	111-1 8
War Loan 3-1 2 pc 1952 and after	107-3/16
Funding Loan 4 pc 1960-90	117-1 4
Victory Bonds 4 pc	119-3/8
Chartered Bank of I. A. and China	12-1/16
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank (London Reg.)	110-1/2
National Bank of India	35

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New York, April 21.

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S. M. IKRAM, (I.C.S.)
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P. AHMED.
Controller of Stores. 3201

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that HASANALI TYABALI KAGALWALA, of Bombay Muslim Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client. Any person having any claim of any kind whatsoever on or to the said property is hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at 36, Tamarind Lane Fort, Bombay within FOURTEEN DAYS hereof: otherwise the sale will be completed without any regard to any such claim and the same if any will be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

ALL that piece of quit and ground rent land with the tenements standing thereon situate at Chimna Butcher Street admeasuring 78 Sq. Yds. bearing C.S. No. 4144 of Bhuleshwar Division, Collector's New No. 8742, New Survey No. 4186 assessed under C Ward No. 7190 and New Street No. 21 and bounded on the North by the property of Rasool Dawood, on the South by the property of Shukker Chhatoo, on the East by Sweepers' passage and on the West by Chimna Butcher Street.

Dated this 21st day of April, 1947.
ISMAIL M. KANGA,
For Messrs. Ghulamali Noorani & Co.
Purchaser's Attorneys. 3204

IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY
IN INSOLVENCY
No. N/8 of 1947.

Re: Messrs. AGARWAL GLASS WORKS, a firm, carrying on business as Glass Manufacturers at 428, Kalbadevi Road, outside the Fort of Bombay. ..... Judgment-Debtors.
Ex-parte: The Chemo Pharma Laboratories Ltd. ..... Judgment Creditors.

To
Messrs. AGARWAL GLASS WORKS, a firm.
428, Kalbadevi Road, Bombay.

TAKE NOTICE that an Insolvency notice for Rs. 3,100 and interest in respect of the Consent Decree in Suit No. 541 of 1945 in the High Court of Judicature at Bombay dated 22nd day of May, 1945, has been issued against you in this Court on 28th day of February, 1947, by the Chemo Pharma Laboratories Ltd., and the Court on the 31st day of March, 1947, Ordered that the said Insolvency Notice be served on you publishing the fact of the issue of this Insolvency Notice once in 'Bombay Chronicle' and by affixing a copy of the Insolvency Notice on your abovenamed place of business AND WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the time for the service of the said Insolvency Notice on you be extended to the 30th day of April, 1947.

The Insolvency Notice can be inspected by you on application to the undersigned.

Dated this 7th day of April, 1947.
(Sd.) SAROSH H. A. VAKIL,
Insolvency Registrar. 3206

AUCTION SALES

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE VACANT LAND AT GHODBUNDER ROAD NEAR BANDRA TALKIES.

Under instructions from Mr. M. T. Chhaya, Advocate for the owner, Messrs. BENNETT & CO., will on SUNDAY, the 27th instant at 4 p.m. (S.T.), sell by Public Auction on site.

Vacant land at Bandra, admeasuring about 2,410 square yards, bearing Final Plot No. 291 and 275 of Bandra Planning Scheme No. III.

For conditions of sale apply to the undersigned.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE PROPERTY AT TRIBHOVAN ROAD NEAR KRISHNA CINEMA.

Under instructions from Messrs. Ghulamali Noorani and Co., Attorneys for the Mortgagees and on account and risk of Bai Balabai Tricumdas Visanji, the Mortgagor, Messrs. BENNETT & CO., will on WEDNESDAY, 21st May, 1947, at 4 p.m. (S.T.), sell by Public Auction on the premises:—

Leasehold land with dwelling house at Tribhovan Road (Khetwadi Main Road) admeasuring about 365 square yards, bearing Municipal D Ward No. 1897 (5), Street No. 12 and bounded on the East by the properties of Rustomji F. Damania and Pirojshaw P. Mistry, on the West by the property of Perraji M. Borekar, on the North by the property of Byramji P. Elavia, on the South by Tribhowan Road.

For particulars and conditions of sale, apply to the above Solicitors or to the undersigned.

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Terms: 25 per cent cash deposit balance in 7 days, delivery in 21 days.

SALE AT VILE PARLE

AUCTION SALE OF VERY VALUABLE IMMOVABLE FIVE PLOTS OF LAND IN TOWN PLANNING SCHEME NO. 2 OF VILE PARLE.

M/s GANDHI & CO. will under instructions from the Court Receiver High Court, Bombay as the Receiver appointed in Bombay High Court Suit No 682 of 1944 (Bai Khurshedbai B Wadia Versus Framji P Divecha & Ors.) sell by Public Auction on Monday 12-5-47 at 4 P.M. (S.T.) the undermentioned very valuable immovable plots of land at Vileparle East on the premises.

Lot No. 1: Final Plot No. 86. Area 766 Sq. Yds. of Town-Planning Scheme No II of Vile Parle
Lot No. 2: Final Plot No. 89 Area 1620 Sq. Yds. of Town-Planning Scheme No. II of Vile Parle.
Lot No. 3: Final Plot No. 218. Area 1011 Sq. Yds. of Town-Planning Scheme No. II of Vile Parle.
Lot No. 4: Final Plot No. 219. Area 1226 Sq. Yds. of Town-Planning Scheme No. II of Vile Parle
Lot No. 5: Final Plot No. 217. Area 1720 Sq. Yds. of Town-Planning Scheme No. II of Vile Parle.

For further Particulars of sale please apply to M/s Mansukhlal Mehta & Co. Attorneys for the Court Receiver. High Court, Bombay, at their office, at 6 Bell Lane Fort, or to the undersigned.

AUCTION SALE OF FIVE Cases American Ninon Cloth, size 45" Total 7000 Yds. on Saturday 26th Inst. at 3 P.M. (S.T.) at their Rooms at 72, Medows Street, under instructions from Messrs Motichand & Devidas, Attorneys for M/s. Bubnamore & Co. and on a/c and at the risk of M/s. Pahadchand & Co. (of No. 57, Sutar Chawl) defaulting purchasers. Terms: 25 p.c. deposit.

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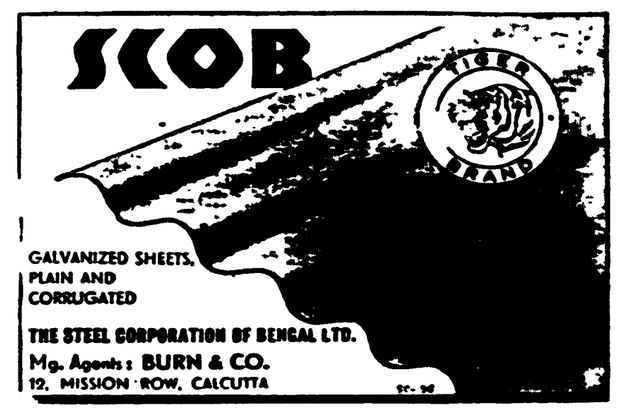

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